



MG+M COVID-19 Federal Legislation and Regulations Summary

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S. 4846- Nursing Home Pandemic Protection Act

- Committee: Senate- Finance
- Introduced: 10/22/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 10/22/2020 and referred to Committee on Finance.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of establishing requirements for skilled nursing facilities, nursing facilities, and assisted living facilities to address the outbreak of COVID-19. Specifically, the Bill requires these facilities to establish crisis plans and to maintain at least a 30-day supply of personal protective equipment to respond to the outbreak.
- Link:
 - [Nursing Home Pandemic Protection Act](#)

H.R. 8070- PRINT Act

- Committee: House- Small Business
- Introduced: 8/18/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 8/18/2020 and referred to House Committee on Small Business.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of including the cost of print production of local media as an allowable use for funds disbursed to certain newspaper publishers under the Paycheck Protection Program to support small businesses in response to COVID-19.
- Link:
 - [PRINT Act](#)

H.R. 8015- Delivering for America Act

- Committee: House- Oversight and Reform
- Introduced: 8/11/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 8/11/2020 and referred to House Committee on Oversight and Reform. Passed House on 8/22/2020. Received in Senate in 9/8/2020.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of prohibiting the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) from making changes to operations or levels of service from those that were in effect on January 1, 2020. Specially, the Bill states that the USPS may not, during the period beginning on enactment of this Bill and ending on the last day of the COVID-19 public health emergency or January 1, 2021, whichever is later, from implementing or approving any change to the operations or the level of service that would impede prompt, reliable and efficient services.
- Link:
 - [Delivering for America Act](#)



S.4216- KEEP Telehealth Options Act of 2020

- Committee: Senate- Finance
- Introduced: 7/20/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 7/20/2020, read twice, and referred to Committee on Finance.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Human Services and the Government Accountability Office to report on the availability and effects of expanded telehealth services under Medicare, Medicaid, and the Children's Health Insurance Program during the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- Link:
 - [KEEP Telehealth Options Act of 2020](#)

S.4209- Protecting Nonprofits from Catastrophic Cash Flow Strain Act of 2020

- Committee: Not referred to committee.
- Introduced: 7/2/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 7/2/2020. Passed Senate on 7/2/2020. Passed House on 7/9/2020. Presented to President on 7/22/2020. Signed by President on 8/3/2020. Became Law on 8/3/2020.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of permitting certain governmental entities, federally recognized tribes, and nonprofit organizations to make up front payments of 50% of unemployment benefits into the state Unemployment Trust Fund to be used exclusively to reduce such payments resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Link:
 - [Protecting Nonprofits from Catastrophic Cash Flow Strain Act of 2020](#)

S.4171- Calculate PPP Forgiveness Act of 2020

- Committee: Senate- Small Business and Entrepreneurship
- Introduced: 7/2/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 7/2/2020, read twice, and referred to Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of requiring the Small Business Administration to establish or certify an online calculator that allows a recipient of assistance under the Paycheck Protection Program established to support small businesses in response to COVID-19 to (1) estimate the amount of loan forgiveness for which they are eligible, and (2) assist with their application to request loan forgiveness.
- Link:
 - [Calculate PPP Forgiveness Act of 2020](#)



S.4125- Paycheck Protection Program Extension and Modification Act of 2020

- Committee: Senate- Small Business and Entrepreneurship
- Introduced: 7/1/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 7/1/2020, read twice, and referred to Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of extending the Paycheck Protection Program to support small businesses in response to COVID-19 through December 31, 2020 and authorizing additional lending under the program.
- Link:
 - [Paycheck Protection Program Extension and Modification Act of 2020](#)

S.4116- A bill to extend the authority for commitments for the paycheck protection program and separate amounts authorized for other loans under section 7(a) of the Small Business Act, and for other purposes

- Committee: Not referred to committee.
- Introduced: 6/30/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 6/30/2020. Passed Senate on 6/29/2020. Passed House on 7/1/2020. Presented to President on 7/2/2020. Signed by President on 7/4/2020. Became law on 7/8/2020.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of extending the application period for the Paycheck Protection Program established to support small businesses in response to COVID-19 through August 8, 2020.
- Link:
 - [A bill to extend authority for commitments for the paycheck protection program of the Small Business Act](#)

S.4091- Emergency Aid for Returning Americans Affected by Coronavirus Act

- Committee: Not referred to committee.
- Introduced: 6/29/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 6/29/2020. Passed Senate on 6/29/2020. Passed House on 6/29/2020. Presented to President on 7/1/2020. Became law on 7/13/2020.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of increasing and revising the maximum amount of funding available for fiscal year 2020 pertaining to temporary assistance for U.S. citizens and their dependents who are returning from foreign countries due to a crisis and are without available resources. In providing temporary assistance during COVID-19, the Bill states only certain members of the Commissioned Crops of the Public Health Service shall have direct, in-person contact with those receiving assistance.
- Link:
 - [Emergency Aid for Returning Americans Affected by Coronavirus Act](#)



H.R. 7211- LIFE NOW Act

- Committee: House- Small Business
- Introduced: 6/15/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 6/15/2020 and referred to House Committee on Small Business.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of modifying the Paycheck Protection Program, established to support small businesses in response to COVID-19. The Bill will specifically expand the program to encompass any nonprofit organization regardless of size and strike the affiliation requirements applicable to nonprofit organizations and veterans organizations.
- Link:
 - [LIFE NOW Act](#)

H.R. 7216- Small Business PPE Tax Credit Act

- Committee: House- Ways and Means
- Introduced: 6/15/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 6/15/2020 and referred to House Committee on Ways and Means.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of allowing small businesses a tax credit for the cost of qualified personal protective equipment, up to \$25,000 in a taxable year. The entities eligible for this tax credit include farms, nonprofit organizations, veterans organizations, and Tribal business concerns. The Bill defines “qualified personal protective equipment” as the cost of equipment to reduce the risk of COVID-19 including gloves, face coverings, cleaning supplies, and other protective gear.
- Link:
 - [Small Business PPE Tax Credit Act](#)

H.R. 7197- RESTAURANTS Act of 2020

- Committee: House- Financial Services; Ways and Means; Budget
- Introduced: 6/15/2020
- Latest Action: Sponsor introductory remarks on 6/29/2020.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of temporarily establishing and providing funding for the Restaurant Revitalization Fund. The Department of the Treasury shall make grants to eligible food and beverage sellers to cover specified costs. The amount of such a grant shall be the amount of (1) any emergency grant received for an economic injury disaster loan, or (2) any paycheck protection loan amount forgiven under the Paycheck Protection Program established to support small businesses in response to COVID-19.
- Link:



- [RESTAURANTS Act of 2020](#)

H.R. 7175- Paycheck Protection for Producers Act

- Committee: House- Small Business
- Introduced: 6/11/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 6/11/2020 and referred to House Committee on Small Business.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of modifying the Paycheck Protection Program, established to support small businesses in response to COVID-19 by allowing certain farmers to calculate or recalculate their paycheck protection loan amount based on 2019 gross income.
- Link:
 - [Paycheck Protection for Producers Act](#)

H.R. 7179- Pandemic Liability Protection Act

- Committee: House- Judiciary
- Introduced: 6/11/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 6/11/2020 and referred to House Committee on Judiciary.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of exempting certain health care and food providers from liability for any act or omission retaining to harm arising from exposure by, COVID-19 during the public health emergency. However, the Bill additionally states that this exemption does not apply with respect to acts or omissions that constitute willful or criminal misconduct, gross negligence, reckless misconduct, or conscious and flagrant indifference to the rights or safety of the individual harmed.
- Link:
 - [Pandemic Liability Protection Act](#)

H.R. 7093- PPP Accountability Act

- Committee: House- Small Business
- Introduced: 6/4/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 6/4/2020 and referred to House Committee on Small Business.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of requiring the Small Business Administration (SBA) to publish on its website certain information regarding any loan of \$1 million or greater made under the Paycheck Protection Program established to support small businesses in response to COVID-19.
- Link:
 - [PPP Accountability Act](#)



H.R. 7058- Rewarding American Workers Act of 2020

- Committee: House- Ways and Means
- Introduced: 5/28/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 5/28/2020 and referred to House Committee on Ways and Means.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of allowing employers a payroll tax credit for bonuses paid to employees whose wages did not exceed specified levels during the period beginning March 13, 2020 through July 31, 2020, or the end of the COVID-19 pandemic, and who worked for the entire period.
- Link:
 - [Rewarding American Workers Act of 2020](#)

H.R. 7032- Skills Renewal Act

- Committee: House- Ways and Means
- Introduced: 5/27/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 5/27/2020 and referred to House Committee on Ways and Means.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of allowing eligible individuals a refundable tax credit for expenses paid for qualified training services. The tax credit is refundable up to \$4,000 in a taxable year. The Bill defines “qualified training service” as a course or program of study that is listed in the provisions of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, or that relates to computer science, technology, or another high need area. The Bill defines “eligible individual” as an individual unemployed or furloughed in 2020, but was otherwise able to work and applied for pandemic emergency unemployment compensation related to COVID-19.
- Link:
 - [Skills Renewal Act](#)

H.R. 7010- Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act of 2020

- Committee: House- Small Business; Ways and Means
- Introduced: 5/26/2020
- Latest Action: Became Law. Signed by the President on 6/5/2020. Passed Senate on 6/3/2020. Passed House on 5/28/2020/.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of modifying provisions to the forgiveness of loans made to small businesses under the Paycheck Protection Program in response to COVID-19. The Bill establishes a minimum maturity of five years for a paycheck protection loan with a remaining balance after forgiveness; extends the covered period where a loan recipient may use the funds for expenses while remaining eligible for forgiveness; raises the non-payroll portion of a forgivable loan amount from the current rate of 25% to 40%; extends the period where an employer may



rehire or eliminate a reduction in employment, salary, or wages that would reduce the forgivable amount of the paycheck protection loan; and revises the period for paycheck protection loans.

- Link:
 - [H.R. 7010- Paycheck Protection Program Flexibility Act of 2020](#)

H.R. 6965- Cash Refunds for Coronavirus Cancellations Act of 2020

- Committee: House- Transportation and Infrastructure; Financial Services
- Introduced: 5/22/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 5/22/2020. Referred to Subcommittee on Aviation on 5/26/2020.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of requiring air carriers and ticket agents to offer full cash refunds for all cancelled tickets during the COVID-19 pandemic. This refund will take place regardless of whether the air carrier cancelled an entire flight or the passengers cancelled their individual tickets.
- Link:
 - [Cash Refunds for Coronavirus Cancellations Act of 2020](#)

H.R. 6976- Service Assurance Act of 2020

- Committee: House- Judiciary
- Introduced: 5/22/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 5/22/2020 and referred to House Committee on the Judiciary.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of exempting non-profit organizations from liability for any act or omission relating to harm arising from exposure by COVID-19. The Bill does not apply to act or omissions that constitute willful or criminal misconduct, gross negligence, reckless misconduct, or conscious and flagrant indifference to the rights or safety of the individual harmed.
- Link:
 - [Service Assurance Act of 2020](#)

S.3782- Small Business Lending and Continuity Act of 2020

- Committee: Not referred to committee.
- Introduced: 5/20/2020
- Latest Action: Passed Senate. Received in House on 5/22/2020. Held at desk on 5/22/2020. Hearings held in Senate on 6/3/2020.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of revising the authorization for Small Business Administration loan products linked to the Paycheck Protection Program in response to COVID-19.
- Link:



- [S.3782- Small Business Lending and Continuity Act of 2020](#)

S.3752- SMART Act

- Committee: Senate- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Introduced: 5/18/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 5/18/2020. Read Twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs on 5/18/2020. Hearings held in Senate on 6/2/2020.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of providing \$500 billion for a Coronavirus Local Community Stabilization Fund to address the economic effects of COVID-19 on state, local, and tribal budgets. Additionally, the Bill is for the purpose of expanding the use of payments from the Coronavirus Relief Fund.
- Link:
 - [S.3752-SMART Act](#)

S.3742- RELIEF for Main Street Act

- Committee: Senate- Small Business and Entrepreneurship
- Introduced: 5/14/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 5/14/2020 and read twice and referred to Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship. Hearings held in Senate on 7/23/2020.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of establishing the Small Business Local Relief Program for one year. The Bill states the Program shall allocate resources to states, local governments, and Native American tribes for providing assistance to certain small businesses and nonprofits that have lost revenue due to COVID-19.
- Link:
 - [RELIEF for Main Street Act](#)

H.R.6800- The Heroes Act

- Committee: House- Appropriations; Budget; Ways and Means
- Introduced: 5/12/2020
- Latest Action: Passed House. Received in Senate and read for the first time on 5/21/2020. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar. Read for the second time in the Senate on 6/1/2020. Referred to Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship and hearing held in Senate on 7/23/2020.
- Summary:
 - The Bill is for the purpose of responding to the COVID-19 outbreak and its impact on the economy, public health, state and local governments, individuals, and businesses. The Bill provides, among other things, 2020 emergency supplemental appropriations to federal agencies; payments to state and local governments; direct \$1,200 payments to individuals; expands sick and medical leave as well as unemployment; eliminates costs for COVID-19 treatment and requires employers to put in place exposure and control plans.



- Link:
 - [H.R.6800- The Heroes Act](#)

H.R.6649- Lower Drug Costs for Seniors During COVID-19 Act of 2020

- Committee: House- Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means
- Introduced: 5/12/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. House- 5/12/2020 referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce and Committee on Ways and Means.
- Summary:
 - The Bill is for the purpose of requiring Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to establish a process for prescription drug plans under Medicare and Medicare Advantage in order to allow individuals to make coinsurance payments in installments, if the individual chooses to obtain the entire prescribed drug in a single fill.
- Link:
 - [H.R.6649- Lower Drug Costs for Seniors During COVID-19 Act of 2020](#)

S.3681- Ensuring Health Safety in the Skies Act of 2020

- Committee: Senate- Commerce, Science, and Transportation
- Introduced: 5/11/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 5/11/2020. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders on 8/6/2020. Passed Senate on 9/30/2020. Held at House desk on 10/01/2020.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of requiring the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Homeland Security, and the Department of Transportation to form a joint task force on the operation of air travel during and after the COVID-19 pandemic. The Bill requires the task force to develop recommended requirements, plans, and guidelines to address the health, safety, security, and logistical issues relating to the continuation of air travel during the COVID-19 public health emergency, as well as the resumption of full operations at airports and increased passenger air travel after the COVID-19 public health emergency ends.
- Link:
 - [Ensuring Health Safety in the Skies Act of 2020](#)

H.R. 6735- COVID-19 Fraud Prevention Act

- Committee: House- Financial Services | Senate- Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
- Introduced: 5/08/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced on 5/08/2020. Passed House on 9/22/2020. Received in Senate and read twice and referred to committee on Banking, Housing, and Finance.
- Summary:



- This Bill is for the purpose of establishing the Consumer and Investor Fraud Working Group to prevent fraud during COVID-19. The working group will be required to report monthly regarding resources available to consumers, public enforcement actions, and related consumer complaints.
- Link:
 - [COVID-19 Fraud Prevention Act](#)

H.R. 6762- COVID-19 Earned Income Act

- Committee: House- Ways and Means
- Introduced: 5/8/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. House- 5/8/2020 referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of setting forth a special rule for determining the amount of the earned income tax credit and the refundable portion of the child tax credit. The Bill allows a taxpayer to use the earned income of the preceding taxable year in computing credits if income is greater than the income for the current taxable year.
- Link:
 - [H.R. 6762- COVID-19 Earned Income Act](#)

S.3607- Safeguarding America's First Responders Act of 2020

- Committee: Senate Judiciary
- Introduced: 5/5/2020
- Latest Action: Passed Senate. Received in House and held at the desk on 5/15/2020. Motion to reconsider in House laid on the table and agreed to without objection on 7/20/2020. Presented to Present on 8/4/2020. Became law on 8/14/2020.
- Summary:
 - The Bill is for the purpose of extending death benefits under the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Program (PSOB) to survivors of law enforcement officers who die as a result of COVID-19. The PSOB program provides death, disability, and education benefits to public safety officers and survivors of public safety officers who are killed or injured in the line of duty.
- Link:
 - [S.3607- Safeguarding America's First Responders Act of 2020](#)

S. 3604- Transparency and Oversight of COVID-19 Small Business Assistance Act

- Committee: Senate- Small Business and Entrepreneurship
- Introduced: 5/5/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. Senate- 5/5/2020 read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship
- Summary:



- This Bill is for the purpose of requiring the Small Business Administration (SBA) to report data on economic relief programs implemented in response to COVID-19. Under this Bill, the SBA must do the following: conduct a daily report of the total number and dollar amount of loans or grants approved and distributed under programs such as the paycheck protection program and the emergency grants program; conduct a daily report of the amount of funds appropriated for these programs and an estimate of the date funds will be depleted; conduct a weekly report of the number and dollar amount of program loans and loan payments separated by categories such as geography, demographics, loan sizes, industry, and lender type; report on the number of employees expected to be retained by borrowers of certain loans as a result of economic relief programs; report its plans to carry out relief programs; request specified information when a borrower applies for loan forgiveness; and make each required report publicly available while ensuring sensitive information is kept private.
- Link:
 - [S. 3604- Transparency and Oversight of COVID-19 Small Business Assistance Act](#)

H.R. 6701- Ensuring Understanding of COVID-19 to Protect Public Health Act

- Committee: House- Energy and Commerce
- Introduced: 5/5/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. House- 5/5/2020 referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
- Summary:
 - The Bill is for the purpose of requiring the National Institutes of Health, together with the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, to conduct a study on the health impacts of COVID-19 and provide public summaries of findings.
- Link:
 - [H.R. 6701- Ensuring Understanding of COVID-19 to Protect Public Health Act](#)

S. 3595- Ensuring Understanding of COVID-19 to Protect Public Health Act

- Committee: Senate- Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
- Introduced: 5/4/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. Senate- 5/4/2020 Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.
- Summary:
 - The Bill is for the purpose of requiring the National Institutes of Health, together with the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, to conduct a study on the health impacts of COVID-19 and provide public summaries of findings.
- Link:
 - [S. 3595- Ensuring Understanding of COVID-19 to Protect Public Health Act](#)



H.R. 6654- Emergency Telehealth Response Act

- Committee: House- Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means
- Introduced: 5/1/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. House- 5/1/2020 referred to Committee on Energy and Commerce and Committee on Ways and Means.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of requiring the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to allow, when exercising its waiver authority, the following providers to provide telehealth services under Medicare during the COVID-19 pandemic: physical therapists, physical therapist assistants, occupational therapists, occupational therapy assistants, speech-language pathologists, clinical social workers, and audiologists.
- Link:
 - [H.R. 6654- Emergency Telehealth Response Act](#)

H.R. 6699- COVID-19 Cost Share Adjustment Relief Act of 2020

- Committee: House- Transportation and Infrastructure
- Introduced: 5/1/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. House 5/4/2020 referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management.
- Summary:
 - This Bill is for the purpose of providing 100% federal cost sharing of assistance provided under the emergency declaration issued by the President relating to COVID-19 and any subsequent major disaster declaration that supersedes it.
- Link:
 - [H.R. 6699- COVID-19 Cost Share Adjustment Relief Act of 2020](#)

H.R.6640- Medicare Advantage COVID Treatment Act

- Committee: House- Ways and Means; Energy and Commerce
- Introduced: 4/28/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. House- 4/28/2020 Referred to Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Energy and Commerce.
- Summary:
 - The Bill is for the purpose of requiring Medicare Advantage plans to cover specified treatment services relating to COVID-19 without cost-sharing during the pandemic. Additionally, Medicare Advantage plans are prohibited from instituting prior authorization requirement with respect to coverage of critical treatment services, such as ventilator services.
- Link:
 - [H.R.6640- Medicare Advantage COVID Treatment Act](#)

H.R. 6616- Stronger Medicaid Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic Act

- Committee: House- Energy and Commerce



- Introduced: 4/24/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. House- 4/24/2020 referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
- Summary:
 - The Bill is for the purpose of allowing COVID-19 vaccines and treatment, as well as treatment for conditions that could complicate COVID-19 treatment, for uninsured individuals to be covered under Medicaid during the pandemic.
- Link:
 - [H.R. 6616- Stronger Medicaid Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic Act](#)

H.R. 6599- COVID Research Act of 2020

- Committee: House- Energy and Commerce; Science, Space and Technology
- Introduced: 4/23/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. House- 4/23/2020 referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce and the Committee on Science, Space and Technology.
- Summary:
 - The Bill is for the purpose of requiring the Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) and the Department of Energy (DOE) to undertake actions related to forecasting infectious diseases. Acting through the National Science and Technology Council, the OSTP must establish an interagency group to coordinate federal activities concerning infectious disease forecasting, identify challenges to preventing outbreaks, and develop a plan to address these challenges.
- Link:
 - [H.R. 6599- COVID Research Act of 2020](#)

H.R. 6609- Immediate COVID Testing Procurement Act

- Committee: House- Financial Services
- Introduced: 4/23/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. House- 4/23/2020 referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.
- Summary:
 - The Bill is for the purpose of requiring the President, within 24 hours of this Bill's enactment, to issue purchase orders for a program of the highest national urgency to obtain supplies to conduct national COVID-19 medical testing under the Defense Production Act of 1950.
- Link:
 - [H.R. 6609- Immediate COVID Testing Procurement Act](#)

H.R. 6594- Equal Access to COVID-19 Relief Act

- Committee: House- Small Business
- Introduced: 4/21/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. House- 4/21/2020 referred to the House Committee on Small Business.



- Summary:
 - The Bill is for the purpose of expanding access to specified assistance related to COVID-19 by providing that the receipt of legal gaming revenue shall not disqualify a person from receiving certain benefits.
- Link:
 - [H.R. 6594- Equal Access to COVID-19 Relief Act](#)

H.R.6550- Access to Credit for Small Businesses Impact by the COVID-19 Crisis Act of 2020

- Committee: House- Financial Services
- Introduced: 4/17/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. House- 4/17/2020 referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.
- Summary:
 - The Bill is for the purpose of temporarily providing credit unions with an exception to limits on outstanding member business loans and for a three-year period loans used for recovery from COVID-19 do not count toward this limit.
- Link:
 - [H.R.6550- Access to Credit for Small Businesses Impact by the COVID-19 Crisis Act of 2020](#)

H.R. 6472- COVID-19 Price Gouging Prevention Act

- Committee: House- Energy and Commerce
- Introduced: 4/7/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. House- 4/7/2020 referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
- Summary:
 - The Bill is for the purpose of making it unlawful for any person to sell or offer for sale a consumer good or service during the pandemic resulting from COVID-19 at a price that is (1) unconscionably excessive, and (2) indicates that the seller is using the COVID-19 related circumstances to unreasonably increase prices.
- Link:
 - [H.R. 6472- COVID-19 Price Gouging Prevention Act](#)

S. 3564- Ensuring Treatment for COVID Act

- Committee: Senate- Finance
- Introduced: 3/22/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. Senate- 3/22/2020 read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.
- Summary:
 - The Bill is for the purpose of requiring state Medicaid programs to cover treatment for COVID-19. The Bill requires state Medicaid programs to cover COVID-19 testing and treatment for uninsured individuals and coverage must be



provided with no cost-sharing. The Bill additionally prohibits state Medicaid programs from imposing cost -sharing for COVID-19 vaccines.

- Link:
 - [S. 3564- Ensuring Treatment for COVID Act](#)

H.R. 6312- COVID-19 Relief for Small Businesses Act of 2020

- Committee: House- Small Business
- Introduced: 3/19/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. House- 3/19/2020 referred to the House Committee on Small Business.
- Summary:
 - The Bill is for the purpose of establishing measure to support small business impact by COVID-19. The Bill must do the following: temporarily make loans for specified uses to small business in a state with a case of COVID-19; pay the principal, interest, and associated fees owed on certain small business loans for a six month period; provide grants to small businesses suffering substantial economic injury because of COVID-19; provide grants to small business development centers, women's business centers, and chapters of the Service Corps of Retired Executives for specified purposes; reimburse grant recipients under the State Trade Expansion Program for losses related to COVID-19; and provide Small Business Act resources and services in the 10 most commonly spoken languages, other than English, in the United States. Additionally, the Bill may make economic injury disaster loans to small businesses in response to COVID-19 and waive requirements on certain loans.
- Link:
 - [H.R. 6312- COVID-19 Relief for Small Businesses Act of 2020](#)

S.3499- Free COVID-19 Testing Act

- Committee: Senate- Health, Education, Labor and Pensions
- Introduced: 3/12/2020
- Latest Action: Introduced. Senate- 3/12/2020 read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions
- Summary:
 - The Bill is for the purpose of requiring specified public health care programs and private health insurance to cover testing for COVID-19 without cost-sharing for the duration of the pandemic. The coverage would include covering the cost of administering approved tests and visits to health care providers.
- Link:
 - [S.3499- Free COVID-19 Testing Act](#)



Federal Agency Guidance (Through November 13, 2020)

Additional Policy and Regulatory Revisions in Response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

- Published by: International Revenue Service (IRS)
- Date: 11/6/2020
- Summary:
 - The IRS is issuing temporary regulations regarding coverage of preventive health services to implement section 3203 of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act). The temporary regulations shorten the timeframe under which non-grandfathered group health plans and health insurance issuers offering non-grandfathered group or individual health insurance coverage must cover without cost sharing qualifying coronavirus preventive services, including recommended COVID-19 immunizations.
- Link:
 - [Additional Policy and Regulatory Revisions in Response to the COVID-19](#)

TRICARE Coverage of National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease Coronavirus Disease 2019 Clinical Trials

- Published by: Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense
- Date: 10/30/2020
- Summary:
 - The Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs issued a final interim rule with request for comments to temporarily modify the TRICARE regulation. The regulation will be modified by adding coverage for the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease sponsored clinical trials or prevention of COVID-19.
- Link:
 - [TRICARE Coverage of National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Disease COVID-19](#)

Order Suspending the Right to Introduce Certain Persons From Countries Where a Quarantinable Communicable Disease Exists

- Published by: Centers for Disease Control, HHS
- Date: 10/16/2020
- Summary:
 - The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) announced the issuance of an order suspending the right to introduce certain persons into the United States from countries where a quarantinable communicable disease exists. This Order is based on the CDC Director's determination that introduction of these persons, regardless of their country of origin, migrating through Canada and Mexico into the United



States creates a serious danger of the introduction of COVID-19 into the United States that a temporary suspension is necessary to protect the public health.

- Link:
 - [Order Suspending the Right to Introduce Certain Persons From Countries Where a Quarantinable Communicable Disease Exists](#)

Guidance Documents Related to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19); Availability

- Published by: Food and Drug Administration, HHS
- Date: 10/16/2020
- Summary:
 - The Food and Drug Administration announced the availability of FDA guidance documents related to COVID-19. The guidance in this notice addresses issues related to the COVID-19 PHE and have been issued in accordance with a March 25, 2020 notice. These guidance documents are for the purpose of allowing the FDA to disseminate Agency recommendations and policies regarding COVID-19 as it relates to industry, FDA staff, and other stakeholders.
- Link:
 - [Guidance Documents Related to Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)

Investigational COVID-19 Convalescent Plasma; Guidance for Industry

- Published by: Food and Drug Administration, HHS
- Date: 9/21/2020
- Summary:
 - The Food and Drug Administration accounted the availability of a final guidance document entitled “Investigational COVID-19 Convalescent Plasma.” The guidance document provides recommendations to healthcare providers and investigators on the use of “investigational convalescent plasma” for the treatment of COVID-19 during the public health emergency and the document supersedes the guidance of the same document dated April 2020 and updated in May 2020.
- Link:
 - [Investigational COVID-19 Convalescent Plasma; Guidance for Industry](#)

Temporary Halt in Residential Evictions To Prevent the Further Spread of COVID-19

- Published by: Center for Disease Control and Prevention
- Date: 8/21/2020
- Summary:
 - The CDC announced the issuance of an order under section 361 of the Public Health Service Act to temporarily halt residential evictions to prevent the further spread of COVID-19. The order is effective through December 31, 2020. Under this order, a “landlord, owner of a residential property, or other person with a



legal right to pursue eviction or possessory action, shall not evict any covered person from any residential property in any jurisdiction to which this order applies during the effective period of the order.”

- Link:
 - [Temporary Halt in Residential Evictions To Prevent the Further Spread of COVID-19](#)

Notification of Temporary Travel Restrictions Applicable to Land Ports of Entry and Ferries Service Between the United States and Mexico

- Published by: U.S. Department of Homeland Security; U.S. Customs and Border Protection
- Date: 8/21/2020
- Summary:
 - The U.S. Department of Homeland Security and U.S. Customs and Border Protection announced the decision of the Secretary of Homeland Security to continue to temporarily limit the travel of individuals from Mexico into the United States at land ports of entry along the United States-Mexico border. Such travel will be limited to “essential travel”. On March 24, 2020, the Department of Homeland Security published notice of the Secretary's decision to temporarily limit the travel of individuals from Mexico into the United States at land ports of entry along the United States-Mexico border to “essential travel” due to the rapid developments of the COVID-19 pandemic and the risk of spreading COVID-19 through travel. This restriction is effective as of August 21, 2020 and will remain in effect through September 21, 2020.
- Link:
 - [Notification of Temporary Travel Restrictions Applicable to Land Ports of Entry and Ferries Service Between the United States and Mexico](#)

Limited Extension of Relief of Certain Persons and Operations During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Public Health Emergency

- Published by: Federal Aviation Commission, Department of Transportation
- Date: 8/5/2020
- Summary:
 - The Federal Aviation Commission (“FAA”) is correcting a final rule posted on June 29, 2020 where the FAA amended regulatory relief originally provided in the Relief for Certain Persons and Operations during the Coronavirus Disease 2019 final rule. The FAA inadvertently listed incorrect amendment numbers for the final rule. This document corrects that error.
- Link:
 - [Limited Extension of Relief of Certain Persons and Operations During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) Public Health Emergency](#)



Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; CARES Act Loan and Payroll Support Program

- Published by: Departmental Offices, U.S. Department of the Treasury
- Date: 7/16/2020
- Summary:
 - The Department of the Treasury is seeking comments from the general public and other Federal agencies on the CARES Act Loan and Payroll Support Programs. The CARES Act provides emergency assistance and health care response for individuals, families, and businesses affected by COVID-19, and provides emergency appropriations to support executive branch agency operations during the COVID-19 pandemic. The CARES Act authorizes the Secretary of the Treasury to make loans, loan guarantees, and other investments that do not exceed \$500 billion to provide liquidity to eligible businesses, States, and municipalities related to losses incurred as a result of COVID-19.
- Link:
 - [Agency Information Collection Activities- CARES Act Loan and Payroll Program](#)

Authorization of Emergency Use of Certain Medical Devices During COVID-19; Availability

- Published by: Food and Drug Administration, HHS
- Date: 7/14/2020
- Summary:
 - The Food and Administration (FDA) is announcing the issuance and reissuance of Emergency Use Authorizations (EUAs) for certain medical devices related to the COVID-19 public health emergency. The Authorizations contain conditions on emergency use of authorized products. The Authorizations follow the determination by the Secretary of Health and Human Services that there is a public health crisis that has the potential to affect the health and safety of U.S. citizens living abroad and that such circumstances justify the authorization of emergency use of in vitro diagnostics for detection and/or diagnosis of the virus which causes COVID-19, person respiratory protective devices, and medical devices.
- Link:
 - [Authorization of Emergency Use of Certain Medical Devices during COVID-19; Availability](#)

Revocation of Authorization of Emergency Use of an In Vitro Diagnostic Device for Detection of Antibodies Against SARS-CoV-2, the Virus That Causes Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

- Published by: Food and Drug Administration



- Date: 7/14/2020
- Summary:
 - The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing the revocation of the Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) (The Authorization) issued to Chembio Diagnostic Systems, Inc. for the DPP COVID-19 IgM/IgM System. The FDA revoked this Authorization on June 16, 2020 under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. The Authorization was revoked in consideration of new information from three evaluations performed since the Authorization of the device, which demonstrates its performance may be both inconsistent and lower than described in the Authorization.
- Link:
 - [Revocation of Authorization of Emergency Use of an In Vitro Diagnostic Device](#)

FTA Fiscal Year 2020 Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Supplemental Apportionments, Allocations, Program Information and Guidance

- Published by: Federal Transit Administration, Dot
- Date: 7/2/2020
- Summary:
 - The Federal Transit Administration is issuing a notice providing program information and guidance for implementation of the supplemental fiscal year 2020 apportionments and allocations appropriated in the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act.
- Link:
 - [FTA CARES Act 2020](#)

Treatment of Certain COVID-19 Related Loss Mitigation Options Under the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA) (Regulation X)

- Published by: Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection
- Date: 6/30/2020
- Summary:
 - The Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection is issuing a final rule to amend Regulation X. Regulation X was originally promulgated to implement the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 (RESPA). The amendments temporarily permit mortgage servicers to offer certain loss mitigation options based on the evaluation of an incomplete loss mitigation application.
- Link:
 - [Treatment of Certain COVID-19 Related Loss Mitigation Options](#)

Limited Extension of Relief for Certain Persons and Operations During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Public Health Emergency

- Published by: Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation
- Date: 6/29/2020



- Summary:
 - The Federal Aviation Administration and Department of Transportation issued a final rule amending the regulatory relief originally provided in the Relief for Certain Persons and Operations during COVID-19 final rule. The relief in the final rule applies to a new population of airmen and does not extend the relief provided in the original Special Federal Aviation Regulation. The amended relief applies to new persons who may have challenges complying with certain training, recent experience, testing, and checking requirements. The relief allows operators to continue to use pilots and other crew members in support of essential operations during this extended period.
- Link:
 - [Limited Extension of Relief during COVID-19](#)

Guidance Documents Related to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

- Published by: Food and Drug Administration, HHS
- Date: 6/26/2020
- Summary:
 - The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announced the availability of FDA guidance documents related to COVID-19. The guidance in this notice addresses issues related to the COVID-19 PHE and have been issued in accordance with a March 25, 2020 notice. These guidance documents are for the purpose of allowing the FDA to disseminate Agency recommendations and policies regarding COVID-19 as it relates to industry, FDA staff, and other stakeholders
- Link:
 - [Guidance Documents Related to COVID-19](#)

Modified Display Dates Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, for Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition

- Published by: Department of State
- Date: 6/22/2020
- Summary:
 - The State Department issued a Notice regarding modified display dates of culturally significant objects imported for exhibition due to COVID-19. The Department finds its determinations of cultural significance on certain objects prior to importation will remain valid through a reasonable, yet unforeseen extension of the object's display due to COVID-19.
- Link:
 - [Modified Display Dates Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

Issuance of Multiple Exemptions in Response to COVID-19; Public Health Emergency

- Published by: Nuclear Regulatory Commission
- Date: 6/16/2020



- Summary:
 - The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) plans to issue 16 exemptions in response to requests from 12 licensees. These exemptions provide these licensees temporary relief from certain requirements under NRC regulations. The exemptions are in response to COVID-19.
- Link:
 - [Issuance of Multiple Exemptions in Response to COVID-19; Public Health Emergency](#)

Commission Action To Address Effects of COVID-19 on Oil Pipelines

- Published by: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- Date: 6/16/2020
- Summary:
 - The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission provides guidance in a policy statement regarding the Commission's response to the effects of the national emergency due to COVID-19 on oil pipelines.
- Link:
 - [Commission Action To Address Effects of COVID-19 on Oil Pipelines](#)

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Coronavirus Donations Web Portal

- Published by: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS
- Date: 6/16/2020
- Summary:
 - The Federal Emergency Management Agency is inviting the general public to comment on an effort to collect new information collection to reduce paperwork. This notice seeks comment regarding a voluntary donations web portal located on the FEMA website. The information collected through these comments will allow FEMA to collect voluntary information regarding possible donations of key equipment and resources to combat the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Link:
 - [Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Coronavirus Donations Web Portal](#)

Extension of Veterans' Group Life Insurance (VGLI) Application Period in Response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

- Published by: Department of Veterans Affairs
- Date: 6/11/2020
- Summary:
 - The Department of Veterans Affairs is issuing an interim final rule to extend the deadline for former members insured under Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance to apply for Veteran's Group Life Insurance (VGLI) coverage



following separation from service to aide those affected by COVID-19 to purchase VGLI. The rule will be in effect for one year.

- Link:
 - [Extension of Veterans' Group Life Insurance \(VGLI\) Application Period in Response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency](#)

Institutional Review Board Review of Individual Patient Expanded Access Requests for Investigational Drugs and Biological Products During COVID-19 Public Health Emergency; Guidance for Institutional Review Boards and Clinical Investigators; Availability

- Published by: Food and Drug Administration, HHS
- Date: 6/9/2020
- Summary:
 - The Food and Drug Administration (“FDA”) is announcing the availability of a final guidance for industry entitled “Institutional Review Board Review of Individual Patient Expanded Access Requests for Investigational Drugs and Biological Products During COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.” The FDA is issuing this guidance to provide recommendations regarding key factors and procedures Institutional Review Boards should consider when reviewing requests for individual patient expanded access in order to facilitate patient access to investigational drugs for treating COVID-19.
- Link:
 - [Institutional Review Board Review of Individual Patient Expanded Access Requests for Investigational Drugs and Biological Products During COVID-19 Public Health Emergency; Guidance for Institutional Review Boards and Clinical Investigators; Availability](#)

Second Amendment to Declaration Under the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness Act for Medical Countermeasures Against COVID-19

- Published by: Health and Human Services Department
- Date: 6/8/2020
- Summary:
 - The Secretary of the Health and Human Services Department issued an amendment to section 319F-3 of the Public Health Service Act to clarify that Covered Countermeasures under the Declaration include qualified pandemic and epidemic products that limit the harm COVID-19 may cause. On March 10, 2020 the Secretary issued a Declaration under the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness Act for medical countermeasures against COVID-19. On April 10, the Secretary made the first amendment the March 10 Declaration to extend liability immunity to covered countermeasures authorized under the CARES Act (85 FR 21012).
- Link:



- [Second Amendment to Declaration Under the Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness Act for Medical Countermeasures Against COVID-19](#)

Authorization of Emergency Use of Medical Devices During COVID-19; Availability

- Published by: Food and Drug Administration, HHS
- Date: 6/5/2020
- Summary:
 - The Food and Drug Administration is announcing the issuance and reissuance of Emergency Use Authorizations (EUAs) for certain medical devices related to COVID-19. The Authorizations contain conditions on emergency use of authorized products. The Authorizations follow the determination by the Secretary of Health and Human Services that there is a public health crisis that has the potential to affect the health and safety of U.S. citizens living abroad and that such circumstances justify the authorization of emergency use of in vitro diagnostics for detection and/or diagnosis of the virus which causes COVID-19, person respiratory protective devices, and medical devices.
- Link:
 - [Authorization of Emergency Use of Medical Devices During COVID-19; Availability](#)

Temporary Policy During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency Regarding the Qualified Exemption From the Standards for Growing, Harvesting, Packing, and Holding of Produce for Human Consumption: Guidance for Industry; Availability

- Published by: Food and Drug Administration, HHS
- Date: 6/5/2020
- Summary:
 - The Food and Drug Administration is announcing the availability of a final guidance for industry. The policy relates to the supply chain disruptions caused by the public health emergency related to COVID-19. The guidance is being implemented without prior notice or opportunity for public comment because the FDA determined prior public participation is not practicable or appropriate.
- Link:
 - [Temporary Policy During the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency Regarding the Qualified Exemption From the Standards for Growing, Harvesting, Packing, and Holding of Produce for Human Consumption: Guidance for Industry; Availability](#)

Home Visits in Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers During COVID-19 National Emergency

- Published by: Department of Veterans Affairs
- Date: 6/5/2020
- Summary:
 - The Department of Veterans Affairs is revising its regulations that govern the VA's Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers. The VA is



seeking to relax the requirement for in-person home visits during COVID-19. The VA is revising its regulations without prior notice or opportunity for public comment because the agency finds good cause to issue this rule as a result of the pressing public health risk for veterans, caregivers, and clinical staff.

- Link:
 - [Home Visits in Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers During COVID-19 National Emergency](#)



Temporary Regulatory Relief in Response to COVID-19 Corrective Action

- Published by: National Credit Union Administration
- Date: 5/28/2020
- Summary:
 - The National Credit Union Administration Board is temporarily modifying regulatory requirements, through rulemaking without prior notice and the opportunity for public comment, to help ensure that federally insured credit unions (FICU) remains operational and liquid during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Board is issuing two temporary changes to its prompt corrective action regulations by first, amending its regulations to temporarily enable the Board to issue an order applicable to all FICU to allow them to the waive earnings requirement for any FICU that is classified as adequately capitalized. Second, the Board is modifying its regulations with respect to specific documentation required for net worth restoration plans for FICUs that become undercapitalized. The temporary modifications will be in place until December 31, 2020.
- Link:
 - [Temporary Regulatory Relief in Response to COVID-19 Corrective Action](#)

Guidance Documents Related to Coronavirus Disease

- Published by: Food and Drug Administration, HHS
- Date: 5/26/2020
- Summary:
 - The FDA is announcing the availability of FDA guidance documents related to the Coronavirus 2019 Disease (COVID-19). The guidance documents will be related to COVID-19 PHE. These guidance documents are for the purpose of allowing the FDA to disseminate Agency recommendations and policies regarding COVID-19 as it relates to industry, FDA staff, and other stakeholders.
- Link:
 - [Guidance Documents Related to Coronavirus Disease](#)



COVID-19: Developing Drugs and Biological Products for Treatment Prevention; Guidance for Industry; Availability

- Published by: Food and Drug Administration, HHS
- Date: 5/19/2020
- Summary:
 - The FDA is announcing the availability of a final guidance for industry entitled “COVID-19: Developing Drugs and Biological Products for Treatment Prevention.” The guidance documents are for the purpose of allowing the FDA to make recommendations regarding phase 2 or phase 3 of trials for drugs or biological products under development for treatment of COVID-19. The guidance focuses on patient population, trial design, efficacy endpoints, safety concerns, and statistical considerations.
- Link:
 - [COVID-19: Developing Drugs and Biological Products for Treatment Prevention; Guidance for Industry; Availability](#)

Enforcement Discretion Regarding COVID-19 Community-Based Testing Sites During the COVID-19 Nationwide Public Health Emergency

- Published by: Office of the Secretary, HHS
- Date: 5/18/2020
- Summary:
 - Notice by the Department of HHS is for the purpose of informing the public that the department is exercising its discretion in how it applies the Privacy, Security, and Breach Notification Rules under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA). The HHS Office for Civil Rights will not impose penalties for noncompliance with the regulatory requirements under the HIPAA rules against covered health care providers in connection with the good faith participation in the operation of COVID-19 Community-Based Testing Site.
- Link:
 - [Enforcement Discretion Regarding COVID-19 Community-Based Testing Sites During the COVID-19 Nationwide Public Health Emergency](#)