

On March 10, 2021, Congress passed the [American Rescue Plan Act of 2021](#) (H.R. 1319) on a 220-211 party-line vote. H.R. 1319 provides \$1.9 trillion in further support for individuals, families, nonprofits and businesses to help mitigate COVID-19's devastating impact. President Joe Biden will sign H.R. 1319 into law on Friday, March 12.

The table below outlines notable provisions in H.R. 1319. [Email ASAE's public policy team](#) with questions.

## American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

PROVISION	SUMMARY
Paycheck Protection Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Most 501(c) nonprofits</b> will gain access to the PPP.</li> <li>• <b>The "affiliation rules" will be lifted</b> for 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(6) organizations. This means that an organization's headcount would be considered "per physical location" rather than in-total and across all locations. As such, a 501(c)(3) with more than 500 employees and/or a 501(c)(6) with more than 300 employees – but at multiple locations – would be eligible for PPP.</li> <li>• <b>An additional \$7.25 billion</b> will be made available.</li> </ul>
Other Small Business Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>\$10 billion to expand the State Small Business Credit Initiative</b> to support up to \$100 billion in small business financing through state, territorial and tribal governments.</li> <li>• <b>\$15 billion in additional funding for Economic Injury Disaster Loan</b> grants.</li> <li>• <b>\$25 billion for a new "restaurant revitalization" program</b> to offer grants to restaurants and other food and drink establishments.</li> <li>• <b>\$175 million to create a "Community Navigator" program to increase awareness</b> of Small Business Administration (SBA) Covid-19 relief programs. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ \$100 million for grants.</li> <li>○ \$75 million for outreach and education.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>\$1.25 billion for the shuttered venue operators grant program</b> to provide aid to shuttered live venues.</li> <li>• <b>\$1.33 billion directly to the SBA</b>, mostly in new administrative funding to carry out small business aid and loan programs.</li> </ul>
State and Local Aid	<p><b>Provides a total of \$350 billion in total aid to states, local governments, tribal governments and US territories:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>\$195.3 billion</b> to states and the District of Columbia;</li> <li>• <b>\$130.2 billion</b> to local governments;</li> <li>• <b>\$20 billion</b> to tribal governments;</li> <li>• <b>\$4.5 billion</b> to US territories; and</li> <li>• <b>\$10 billion</b> to all for "critical capital projects directly enabling work, education and health monitoring, including remote options, in response to the pandemic."</li> </ul>
Tax and Financial Assistance Measures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Extends the Employee Retention Credit</b> to December 31, 2021.</li> <li>• <b>Extends the Paid Leave Credit</b> to September 30, 2021 and increases the Credit to \$12,000 (up from \$10,000) per employee.</li> <li>• <b>Expands the Earned Income Tax Credit</b> for childless adults.</li> <li>• <b>Increases the Child Tax Credit maximum</b> to \$3,000 per child (\$3,600 per child under the age of 6). From July to the end of 2021, certain taxpayers may receive monthly payments from the Internal Revenue Service.</li> <li>• <b>Temporarily increases the Child and Dependent Tax Credit</b> and makes it fully refundable in 2021.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Vaccine, Testing and Other Healthcare Measures</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>\$47.8 billion for testing and tracing activities.</b></li> <li>• <b>\$11.5 billion to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>\$7.5 billion</b> for vaccine distribution, administration, monitoring and tracking;</li> <li>○ <b>\$1 billion</b> to “strengthen vaccine confidence” and improve rates of vaccination;</li> <li>○ <b>\$1.75 billion</b> for genomic sequencing, analytics and disease surveillance;</li> <li>○ <b>\$750 million</b> for global disease detection efforts, global immunization and coordination on public health; and</li> <li>○ <b>\$500 million</b> for public health data surveillance and analytics infrastructure modernization initiatives and to modernize the U.S. disease warning system to forecast and track hotspots for COVID-19, its variants, and emerging biological threats.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><b>Unemployment Benefits</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Continues \$300 in extra weekly benefits</b> through September 6, 2021.</li> <li>• <b>Makes the first \$10,200 in unemployment benefits tax-free</b> in 2020 for taxpayers making less than \$150,000 per year.</li> <li>• <b>Fully subsidizes the cost of health insurance premiums</b> for workers through September 30 (i.e., COBRA).</li> </ul>
<p><b>Direct Payments</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Includes another round of stimulus checks</b> of \$1,400 for individuals who make up to \$75,000 (phased out completely at \$80,000) and \$2,800 for married couples who make up to \$150,000 (phased out completely at \$160,000). Eligible taxpayers will also receive an additional \$1,400 per dependent. If a taxpayer has not filed their 2020 returns, payments will be determined using 2019 Adjusted Gross Income.</li> </ul>

**QUESTIONS**

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