



Fact Sheet

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The Hon. Robert C. "Bobby" Scott • Chairman

Comparing the *Heroes Act* and the *HEALS Act* *Health and Human Services Provisions*

Policy Area	<i>Heroes Act</i> <i>House Bill</i>	<i>HEALS Act</i> <i>Senate Bill</i>
Human Services		
Older Americans Act– Nutrition Programs	<i>Appropriations:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$20 million total (\$19 million + \$1 million tribal nutrition) 	<i>Appropriations:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No funding provided.
Older Americans Act – Long-term Care Ombudsman	<i>Appropriations:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$10 million for Elder Rights Support Activities, including ombudsman, and \$5 million for senior legal services 	<i>Appropriations:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No funding provided.
Older Americans Act – Supportive Services	<i>Appropriations:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$20 million 	<i>Appropriations:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$35 million

Older Americans Act – Family Caregiver Program	<i>Appropriations:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$20 million 	<i>Appropriations:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Same as House bill (\$20 million)
Community Services Block Grant	<i>Authorizing Language:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raises income cap to 200% of federal poverty level (from 125%) through Fiscal Year 2022. • Makes a technical change to ensure CSBG funding in the CARES Act can be allocated fairly and in a timely manner. 	<i>Authorizing Language:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Makes a technical change to ensure fair distribution of CARES Act funding for CSBG.
Family Violence Prevention and Services Act Programs	<i>Authorizing Language:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blanket waiver of statutory and regulatory requirements. <i>Appropriations:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$50 million total (\$48 million for grants + \$2 million for hotline) 	<i>Authorizing Language:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None <i>Appropriations:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$65 million total (\$63 million for grants + \$2 million for hotline)
Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program	<i>Authorizing Language:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expands energy assistance for low-income families and reduces barriers to LIHEAP participation during the COVID-19 emergency. <i>Appropriations:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1.5 billion 	<i>Authorizing Language:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None <i>Appropriations:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1.5 billion

Health Coverage and Access		
Earlier Coverage of COVID-19 Testing at No Cost-Sharing	<p><i>Authorizing Language:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amends the requirement that health plans provide free coverage of COVID-19 testing to include tests provided since the beginning of the public health emergency. 	None
Coverage of COVID-19 Treatment at No Cost-Sharing	<p><i>Authorizing Language:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires all plans to cover treatment for COVID-19 at no cost-sharing. 	None
Prescription Drug Refill Notifications During Emergencies	<p><i>Authorizing Language:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires plans to notify consumers of advance prescription drug refill options during emergency periods. 	None

<p>Subsidies for COBRA and Furloughed Workers</p>	<p><i>Authorizing Language:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides subsidies to allow workers to maintain their employer-sponsored coverage if they become eligible for COBRA or are subject to a temporary furlough. 	<p>None</p>
<p>Improvements to COBRA Notices</p>	<p><i>Authorizing Language:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improves COBRA notices provided to workers who lose employer-sponsored coverage by including information about ACA options. 	<p>None</p>
<p>Child Nutrition</p>		
<p>Emergency Relief for School Meal and Child and Adult Care Food Programs</p>	<p><i>Authorizing Language:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides emergency relief to help school meal and child and adult care food programs, which are in dire need of financial assistance, to continue serving children and families. 	<p>None</p>
<p>Pandemic EBT</p>	<p><i>Authorizing Language:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extends the Pandemic EBT (P-EBT) program through the summer and until schools reopen, and expands the program to include children who would be receiving meals at child care except for COVID-19 related closures. 	<p>None</p>
<p>Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program</p>	<p><i>Authorizing Language:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides schools increased flexibility to provide children in low-income communities with fresh fruit and vegetable snacks through the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program. 	<p>None</p>
<p>Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for</p>	<p><i>Authorizing language:</i></p>	<p>None</p>

<p>Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nearly triples the value of the WIC Cash Value Voucher (CVV) for women and children through the end of fiscal year 2020. <p><i>Appropriations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.1 billion for WIC to ensure funding is sufficient to cover any increased participation in the program, and to fund the increased CVV benefit. 	
<p>Child Nutrition Waiver Transparency</p>	<p><i>Authorizing Language:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires the Secretary of Agriculture to make publicly available all child nutrition waiver applications, approvals, and denials pursuant to the Families First Coronavirus Response Act in a timely manner. 	<p>None</p>
<p>Developmental Disabilities Act</p>	<p><i>Appropriations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$5 million for Assistive Technology Act Programs. \$5 million for the purchase of equipment to enable interpreters to provide services to the deaf community remotely. 	<p><i>Appropriations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$10,000,000 to support protection and advocacy systems.