



Additional Beatty-Backed Provisions Part of The Heroes Act (H.R. 6800)

Hazard Pay to Essential Workers

The Heroes Act provides \$200 billion in hazard pay for essential workers. U.S. Congresswoman Joyce Beatty (OH-03) is a cosponsor of the *Essential Pay for Essential Workers Act* to give \$15 per hour in hazard pay to essential workers.

Direct Economic Impact Payments

The Heroes Act makes a second round of direct economic impact payments to individuals of \$1,200 per person, and up to \$6,000 per household. Beatty joined fellow Members of Congress in sending a letter to Congressional Leadership urging additional economic impact payments for individuals and families.

Student Loans

The Heroes Act expands *CARES Act* loan deferrals and protections to private student loans and authorizes up to \$10,000 in loan forgiveness. Beatty has consistently called for more financial assistance for individuals saddled with student debt during the pandemic. In fact, she wrote House Leadership requesting that student loan forgiveness be part of any future coronavirus package and cosponsored the *Student Debt Emergency Relief Act, H.R. 6363*, a bill that would protect student loan borrowers during public health emergencies and forgive \$30,000 of student loan debt.

State and Local Government Funding

The Heroes Act gives \$900 million for states and local governments to offset costs and lost revenue due to coronavirus. Beatty cosponsored and signed on to multiple bills and letters to allocate funding to state and local governments, such as the *Coronavirus Relief for States Act, H.R. 6592*, a bill that includes \$500 billion for state and local government and allows funds to be used for COVID-19-related expenses and lost revenue.

COVID-19 Testing/Contact Tracing

The Heroes Act allots \$75 billion in funding for contact tracing, testing, etc. Beatty cosponsored the *TRACE Act, H.R. 6666*, a piece of legislation to establish a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) grant program to allow stakeholders to fully mobilize testing and contact tracing efforts.

Unemployment Benefits

The Heroes Act continues expanded *CARES Act* unemployment benefits, including the federal \$600 per week in additional compensation through the end of the year. Beatty is an original cosponsor of the *Strengthening UI for Coronavirus Impacted Workers and Students Act, H.R. 6680*, that would do the same.

COBRA Subsidies for Displaced Workers

The Heroes Act expands Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) subsidies similar to the Beatty cosponsored bill, the *Worker Health Coverage Protection Act, H.R. 6514*, which would guarantee a 100 percent subsidy for COBRA healthcare coverage for displaced workers.

Transitional Housing for Domestic Violence Victims

The Heroes Act includes \$15 million in funding for transitional housing assistance grants for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, or sexual assault. Beatty cosponsored the *Domestic Violence Public Health Emergency Guidance Act, H.R. 6633*, a measure that would require the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to promulgate best practices and ensure other supports to state and local law enforcement regarding domestic violence during stay-at-home orders.

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