



OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE PROVISIONS IN PELOSI'S PARTISAN WISH LIST

Once again, Speaker Pelosi and her House Democrats are pushing for unnecessary spending and a massive expansion of government that will be paid for by hardworking Americans for generations to come. Instead of focusing on reopening our economy, regulatory relief, or streamlining government operations, the HEROES Act represents continued Federal government expansion and spending.

House Democrats' liberal wish list would:

Provide a bailout for mismanaged states and localities.

- The bailout would add \$915 billion to the national debt.
- Provides \$540 billion in direct aid to States, territories, and D.C., and an additional \$375 billion in direct aid to local governments to cover both public health costs and subsidize lost revenue due to the coronavirus pandemic emergency.
- Transforms the \$150 billion State and local government CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund from an assistance program for unanticipated emergency costs into a taxpayer bailout by allowing Treasury disbursed funds to replace lost tax revenue. (Sec. 191303)

Have taxpayers foot the bill for a no-strings-attached bailout of the U.S. Postal Service.

- The bailout includes massive amounts of cash and unaccountable lending without real reforms to make the USPS self-sustainable.
- Gives \$25 billion in supplemental appropriations to the USPS. There is no immediate need for a bailout of the USPS due to recently changing revenue trends and the \$10 billion in additional U.S. Treasury lending authority previously part of the CARES Act.
- Imposes lax lending terms and conditions on the U.S. Treasury while also driving up USPS costs by classifying postal employees as “essential workers,” giving them access to funding and premium hazard pay, in addition to federal benefits. (Sec. 70603 & 170101)

Meddle with the Census to drive partisan objectives.

- Prevents higher education institutions from providing citizenship or immigration status data and prevents federal agencies from providing citizenship data to the Census Bureau to count the number of citizens. (Sec. 70203, & 70204)
- Mandates that temporary Census enumerators receive enhanced paid sick leave and family leave, despite working a maximum of 12 weeks every 10 years. (Sec. 120111)

Give salary increases and benefits to the already stable federal workforce while the private sector faces historic unemployment levels.

- Mandates federal agencies require their employees to telework through the end of 2020, despite current Administration policies already giving agencies that flexibility, and presumes that any federal employee who contracts COVID-19 has contracted it on the job and is entitled to workers compensation benefits. (Sec. 70301 & 70303)
- Establishes a premium pandemic pay wage for federal employees. (Sec. 170202)

Push Green New Deal priorities unrelated to the pandemic.

- Slips expensive Green New Deal priorities into federal building safety upgrades.
- Adds Green New Deal provisions like mandating “energy-saving building technologies and products” to requirements for GSA facility safety upgrades. (Sec. 200007)