

Chair Ancel,

I wanted to reach out as I just caught up on your committee's discussion on using your discretionary CARES Dollars. There are a number of nonprofits that are reimbursable and need to pay back unemployment benefits to the UI Trust Fund. Many of them are seeing increases in charges, not because they sent employees home, but because the employees left them within their last 4-quarters of wage history and the employee's current employer laid them off.

CARES reimburses this cost by up to 50% and then allows states flexibility and discretion on how to deal with the other 50% of that charge. This cost for all reimbursable employers would be \$20 million, however, the state and municipalities are the largest portions of that. I think the remainder, the small nonprofits (in my neighborhood, the boys and girls club) could be taken care of by the amount your committee has its discretion. To my knowledge, other committees have not taken this up.

Best,

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