



## Congressional Update on COVID-19 Relief Funds

**Watch video update [here!](#)**

As you probably saw, a Senate Republican bill to provide new COVID-19 relief funds failed to receive enough votes to move forward earlier this week.

Despite that development, Republicans and Democrats in Congress continue to have negotiations on what a new COVID-19 funding package could look like. What does it mean for you?

The National Restaurant Association's Sean Kennedy breaks it all down in [today's update](#).

Have you submitted your video on why Congress needs to act yet? If not, please do so [here](#).

## Response to CDC COVID-19 Study

Yesterday, the CDC released a study that implies adults who tested positive for COVID-19 were approximately twice as likely to have reported dining at a restaurant in the 14 days before becoming ill than those who tested negative.

Alaska CHARR and the National Restaurant Association (NRA) believe the research methodology of the study to be flawed, and in

response, the NRA has issued [this statement](#) which refutes the study and the questionable methodology. We highlight how the research presented should be considered, considering some inherent weaknesses in the research. The [opening and operating guidance documents](#) produced by Alaska CHARR for the industry throughout this pandemic have always been in line with the CDC.

**Read the NRA's statement [here!](#)**

### **2020 Election for the Alaska CHARR Board of Directors**

Attention Active Voting Members of CHARR: Voting is now open for the 2020 Election for the Alaska CHARR Board of Directors. The election is electronic this year. The deadline for submission of ballots is Wednesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM. Please check your email for your ballot, which was sent to you by YesElections. If you have not received an email, please contact Kirsten Dolan at [kdolan@alaskacharr.com](mailto:kdolan@alaskacharr.com) or 907-274-8133.

### **Industry Call**

Please join us for our next Industry Call on Thursday, September 17, 2020 at 10:00 AM. Our guest speaker will be Sean Kennedy, , Executive Vice President of Public Affairs for the National Restaurant Association.

Sean will be providing updates on what's happening on the national level.

[Link to September 17 Call](#)

Meeting ID: 876 4886 6932

Passcode: CHARR

Telephonic:  
1-253-215-8782  
?Passcode: 414758

### Upcoming Alaska CHARR Raffle

Please join us for a fundraiser for Alaska CHARR on Thursday,  
October 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00 PM at Pioneer Bar!

Tickets are available now!

Contact Rory at 907-301-9709 or [rncallister@alaskacharr.com](mailto:rncallister@alaskacharr.com)



## Alaska CHARR Membership

Have you appreciated all the resources CHARR has provided during this crisis? Do you want to have access to new benefits that will directly help your bottom line? Consider becoming a member so that we can continue to provide you the most up-to-date information and resources in addition to our regular fantastic benefits. Contact Rory McAllister, our Membership & Gaming Manager, for more information at 907-274-8133 or [rmcallister@alaskacharr.com](mailto:rmcallister@alaskacharr.com).

Help us in the fight to #saveAKhospitality! Together, we are #alaskastrong.

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