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Energy Sector Provisions in the HEROES Act

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House Democrats have introduced the Health and Economic Recovery Omnibus Emergency Solutions (HEROES) Act, their proposal for a fourth legislative response to the coronavirus pandemic. This bill contains only minor provisions related to the energy sector, writes AAF's Director of Energy Policy Ewelina Czapla in an analysis of the bill: support to help consumers pay their utility bills, and additional funding for ethanol producers.

An excerpt:

Much like the coronavirus relief legislation before it, the HEROES Act makes little mention of the energy sector. While various industries within the energy sector have voiced their concerns about insolvency, the ability to complete infrastructure projects, and the impact of their financial struggles on local and regional economies, these concerns are not addressed in the HEROES Act. The bill focuses on preventing utilities from terminating service to customers who are unable to pay and providing additional funds for corn farmers who supply ethanol production.

[Read the analysis.](#)