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New Podcast Episode: The Economic Impact of the COVID-19 Crisis — Part 6

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Our latest episode features AAF President Douglas Holtz-Eakin assessing the first quarter GDP numbers and the incentives for people to return to work as states reopen their economies. He also discusses the regulatory response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the president’s invocation of the Defense Production Act to keep meat-processing factories open.

Two new articles from AAF are mentioned in today’s podcast.

- AAF’s Labor Market Policy Data Analyst Isabel Soto analyzed unemployment benefit incentives in her new research, “Unemployment Benefits and Returning to Work,” and found the maximum unemployment benefit is now greater than the median wage in the majority of states.
- AAF’s new COVID-19 Regulation Tracker compiles and categorizes all of the government’s pandemic-related regulations and explains the most significant ones.

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