



Authoritative Resources on the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)

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Summary

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Full Text Of The Law

Conference Report with full text of the act (H.R. 1, as passed, P.L. 111-5) and the Joint Explanatory Statement

http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getdoc.cgi?dbname=111_cong_reports&docid=f:hr016.111.pdf

CBO Cost Estimates

Estimates of ARRA's impact on the budget and a detailed analysis of the budgetary impact by title.

<http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdocs/99xx/doc9989/hr1conference.pdf>

White House Information

Fact Sheets

Provides general fact sheets on broad policy areas within the stimulus (e.g., education, energy, health, infrastructure) and estimates by state and congressional district of the number of jobs that will be created or saved.

http://www.whitehouse.gov/the_press_office/White-House-Releases-State-by-State-Numbers-American-Recovery-and-Reinvestment-Act-to-Save-or-Crete-35-Million-Jobs/

Recovery.gov

The Administration's new website that is intended to be a repository for information related to implementation and oversight of the stimulus. It currently includes overview information about the legislation, a timeline for implementation, a frequently asked questions page, and an announcement page that will be regularly updated. The Administration's intent is to develop the site to encompass information about available funding, distribution of funds, and major recipients.

<http://www.recovery.gov>

OMB Guidance

Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued a detailed guidance on February 18, 2009, directing executive branch agencies to develop a dedicated portion of their websites for information related to the recovery. The guidance itself is available on the recovery.gov website, in the announcements section:

<http://www.recovery.gov/files/Initial%20Recovery%20Act%20Implementing%20Guidance.pdf>

Federal Agency Websites

Corporation for National and Community Service: <http://www.nationalservice.gov/about/recovery/index.asp>

Department of Commerce: <http://www.commerce.gov/Recovery/index.htm>

Department of Commerce – National Institute of Standards and Technology: <http://www.nist.gov/recovery/>

Department of Education: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>

Department of Energy – press release regarding intent to expedite economic recovery funding: <http://www.energy.gov/news2009/6934.htm>

Department of Energy – Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy: http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/news/daily.cfm/hp_news_id=156

Department of Energy – Western Area Power Administration: <http://www.wapa.gov/newsroom/sec402.htm>

Department of Housing and Urban Development: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/index.cfm>

Department of the Interior: http://www.doi.gov/news/09_News_Releases/022009.html

Department of Labor – Employee Benefits Security Administration (COBRA information): <http://www.dol.gov/ebsa/COBRA.html>

Department of Transportation: <http://www.dot.gov/affairs/dot1409.htm>

Department of Transportation – Federal Transit Administration: http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html

Department of Transportation – press release regarding distribution and monitoring of economic recovery funds: <http://www.dot.gov/affairs/dot1409.htm>

Environmental Protection Agency: <http://www.epa.gov/recovery/>

Internal Revenue Service: <http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=204335,00.html?portlet=6>

National Endowment on the Arts: <http://www.nea.gov/recovery/index.html>

National Science Foundation: http://www.nsf.gov/news/news_summ.jsp?cntn_id=114277&org=OLPA&from=news

Small Business Administration: <http://www.sba.gov/recovery/>

Small Business Administration – press release: http://www.sba.gov/idc/groups/public/documents/sba_homepage/news_release_09-10.pdf

Social Security Administration: <http://www.ssa.gov/payment/>

State Government Websites

(The list below reflects states that currently post ARRA information on the Web. CRS will update the list regularly as more information becomes available.)

Alaska: <http://www.gov.state.ak.us/news.php?id=1664>

Colorado: <http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/GovRitter/GOVR/1234446551394>

Delaware: <http://governor.delaware.gov/news/2009/20090218-stimulus-package.shtml>

Illinois: <http://recovery.illinois.gov/>

Maine: <http://www.maine.gov/governor/baldacci/policy/Recovery2009.shtml>

Maryland: <http://www.governor.maryland.gov/pressreleases/090218.asp>

Massachusetts: <http://www.mass.gov/?pageID=gov3subtopic&L=4&L0=Home&L1=Key+Priorities&L2=Job+Creation+%26+Economic+Growth&L3=Massachusetts+Recovery+and+Reinvestment+Plan&sid=Agov3>

Michigan: http://www.michigan.gov/gov/0,1607,7-168-46485_52682-,00.html

Minnesota: <http://www.mmb.state.mn.us/stimulus>

New Hampshire: <http://www.governor.nh.gov/news/2009/021909.html> and <http://des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/pip/stimulus.htm>

North Carolina: <http://www.governor.state.nc.us/NewsItems/PressReleaseDetail.aspx?newsItemID=143>

Ohio: <http://recovery.ohio.gov/>

New York: <http://www.economicrecovery.ny.gov/>

Virginia: <http://stimulus.virginia.gov/>

Washington: http://www.doh.wa.gov/Publicat/2009_news/09-027.htm and
<http://www.doh.wa.gov/ehp/dw/default.htm>

Wisconsin: <http://www.recovery.wisconsin.gov/>

State and Municipal Sources

The US Conference of Mayors has prepared a summary of the act, highlighting those provisions they consider to be important for cities: <http://www.usmayors.org/mainstreeteconomicrecovery/documents/arra-report-20090213.pdf>

The National Conference of State Legislatures has prepared overview summaries of selected sections of the package (e.g., Medicaid, transportation, labor and economic development, energy and water, broadband, etc). Click on the following link, and scroll down the page to the “Resources” section: <http://www.ncsl.org/statefed/2009economicstimulus.htm>

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