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FEDERAL PANDEMIC UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION SET TO EXPIRE JULY 25

The Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (“FPUC”) program enacted under the CARES Act provides an additional \$600 weekly benefit to individuals collecting unemployment compensation through their state unemployment departments. The program is set to expire on July 25, and it is unclear whether, or in what form, it will be extended. Last week, Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin [told CNBC](#) that the Trump administration will not support extension of the program in its current form. Secretary Mnuchin said the administration will seek revisions that restrict unemployment to no more than what the individual was earning while working.

The House previously passed the HEROES Act, which would extend the extra \$600 benefit through December. The Senate is not expected to consider that legislation. Secretary Mnuchin indicated that he is in talks with Senate leadership and hopes to pass a bill between July 20 and the end of the month.

Claimants who are still awaiting payment for claimed weeks from April 4 through July 25 can still receive FPUC payments for those weeks, even if payment is not made until after July 25.

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance, which provides unemployment for independent contractors and self-employed individuals, and Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation, which provides an additional 13 weeks of unemployment benefits, are both funded through the end of the year.

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