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Gov. Newsom signs \$7.6 billion stimulus package with \$600 stimulus payments, help for small businesses

Gov. Newsom has signed a state stimulus bill that will bring \$2 billion in relief to small businesses in the form of \$25,000 grants. One question looms: will California deny PPP tax deductions intended by Congress? The CRA is urging California lawmakers to align with the federal government and not undermine restaurant relief.

FULL STORY



More California counties move out of most restrictive COVID-19 tier

As COVID continues to ease its grip on California, state officials announced today that a few Northern California counties – including Marin and San Mateo – will move out of the purple tier and into the red tier of the state's reopening plan. That means that, if those counties allow it, restaurants could reopen indoors at 25% capacity.

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Interview: Pandemic's effects on California's restaurants

"Outdoor dining has certainly been a bit of a lifeline to our industry," said California Restaurant Association President and CEO, Jot Condie. "But, we need to get the dining rooms open as soon as possible, obviously when it's safe and the numbers start to go in the right direction, which they appear to be."

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Off-premises sales not enough to offset lost on-premises business

You wouldn't know it from reading the many headlines reporting the spike in delivery and takeout orders during the pandemic, but these off-premise sales are not enough to offset the enormous losses in on-site dining. In fact, the gains on the off-premise side appear to be modest, with an increase of only five percentage points in the number of adults who say they are ordering takeout or delivery for dinner.

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Schumer stumps for \$25B in restaurant relief as thousands close in New York City

Many restaurants have closed and tens of thousands of restaurant jobs have been lost in New York City. Senate majority leader Chuck Schumer, D-NY, is supporting a \$25 billion relief fund, which is part of President Biden's \$1.9 trillion COVID relief bill. The proposal also has the support of the industry because it would provide restaurants focused relief.

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News You Need to Know: Proposal would allow cocktails, beer, wine with takeout

Early on in the pandemic, the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control agreed to temporarily loosen rules that prohibited restaurants from selling alcoholic drinks for off-site consumption. Now, State Sen. Bill Dodd, D-Napa, has introduced a bill that would permanently allow restaurants to serve alcoholic beverages for takeout, as long as the drink is sold with a meal order. Sabrina tells us more about this important legislation, which has the support of the CRA and can help provide a lifeline for restaurants that are still only able to use limited on-site space to serve guests.



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