Health and Economic Recovery Omnibus Emergency Solutions (HEROES) Act

LIABILITY RELIEF

- The unprecedented nature of the COVID-19 pandemic poses unique challenges for colleges and institutions, which must consider the best way to address safety concerns across multiple settings, including dorms, classrooms, cafeterias, athletic facilities, etc.

- Reopening institutions of higher education is a critical step in reopening the American economy, and keeping students on track for attending and completing college, but institutions cannot guarantee against an outbreak.

- Higher education needs temporary, limited protection for liability from COVID-19-related lawsuits for institutions that are acting in good faith and complying with governmental policies and recommendations.

- Without limited liability protection, colleges and universities may simply not be able to afford to reopen. Students, many of whom are reluctant to continue studies online, will lose their educational footing.