



### Action Needed for Expanded AK CARES Grant Eligibility

Governor Dunleavy has announced that he will be expanding eligibility for AK CARES grants that will soon enable small businesses to qualify for grants ranging from \$5,000 - \$100,000. The new changes lift the \$5,000 restriction, as well as those on secondary income businesses. Other restrictions, such as requiring that businesses must be Alaska based or that businesses cannot have more than 50 employees, remain in place at this time, but may be amended in the future.

Under law, the proposed changes can happen in 45 days at the latest. However, the Legislative Budget & Audit Committee is meeting tomorrow, and may take action on the proposed changes. If the committee does take action, the expanded relief for businesses can take effect immediately. We know that hospitality businesses need financial assistance as soon as possible. In order for that to happen, the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee needs to hear from you! Contact them now and ask them to meet and approve these changes. Their emails can be found below.

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### **Upcoming Industry Webinar**

Please join us for a webinar on Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM as we rollout the first of our huge new benefits available to most existing and new CHARR members! We have formed a new partnership with Dining Alliance which will give CHARR members free access to automatic cash rebates on products that you already purchase, along

with huge discounts that will directly help your bottom line and put cash back into your business at a time when you need it most!



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Attention Active Voting Members: Voting is now open for the 2020 Election for the Alaska CHARR Board of Directors. The election is electronic this year. Please check your emails for your ballots. If you have not received an email, please contact Kirsten Dolan at [kdolan@alaskacharr.com](mailto:kdolan@alaskacharr.com) or 907-274-8133.

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Have you appreciated all the resources CHARR has provided during this crisis? Do you want to have access to new benefits that will directly help your bottom line? Consider becoming a member so that we can continue to provide you the most up-to-date information and

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