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To: Interested Parties

Subject: Voters Across Seven States Support Trillion Dollar Federal Aid Proposal to Protect Public Services

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Seven new Public Policy Polling surveys in Alaska, Colorado, Georgia, Iowa, Maine, Montana, and North Carolina find that a large majority of voters support a proposal in Congress to provide \$1 trillion in new federal aid to prevent cuts to public services such as healthcare, education, and emergency response. The proposal also has bipartisan support in each state. Supporters include:

- 71% of Alaskans, including 74% of independents and 54% of Republicans.
- 74% of Coloradans, including 74% of independents and 55% of Republicans.
- 78% of Georgians, including 80% of independents and 66% of Republicans.
- 73% of Iowans, including 69% of independents and 64% of Republicans.
- 77% of Mainers, including 79% of independents and 58% of Republicans.
- 70% of Montanans, including 68% of independents and 56% of Republicans.
- 73% of North Carolinians, including 74% of independents and 62% of Republicans.

Voters also disagree with Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell's statement that Congress should allow states to go bankrupt rather than provide aid to states, cities, towns and schools. A majority in the six states polled think that providing federal aid is the better way to deal with the budget shortfall resulting from the coronavirus pandemic, including:

- 58% of Alaskans, with just 23% preferring to let their state go bankrupt.



- 61% of Coloradans, with just 22% preferring allowing their state to go bankrupt.
- 66% of Georgians, while just 12% prefer to let their state go bankrupt.
- 60% of Iowans, with only 15% preferring to let their state go bankrupt.
- 65% of Mainers, while only 20% prefer allowing their state to go bankrupt.
- 67% of North Carolinians, with just 16% preferring to let their state go bankrupt.

Meanwhile, McConnell is highly unpopular in all seven states, with approval ranging from a high of 30% in North Carolina to just 22% in Colorado, while either a plurality or majority of voters ranging from 45% to 57% in each state disapprove.

Other key findings in the survey include:

- Joe Biden leads President Trump in Colorado (54-41), Georgia (46-45), Maine (53-42), and North Carolina (49-46). Meanwhile, Trump only leads by one point in Iowa (48-47).
- Trump is underwater in approval in Colorado (39-57), Georgia (44-49), Iowa (47-49), Maine (41-55), and North Carolina (47-50). In Alaska, while Trump has positive approval, voters are still closely divided in opinion with just 48% approving and 46% disapproving.
- Democratic governors in several states have high approval ratings: Governor Jared Polis in Colorado (51-33), Governor Janet Mills in Maine (52-39), Governor Steve Bullock in Montana (55-36), and Governor Roy Cooper in North Carolina (52-38).
- Voters are more closely divided in approval for Governor Mike Dunleavy in Alaska (42-41) and Kim Reynolds (44-43), while Governor Brian Kemp is underwater in approval by 9 points (39-48) in Georgia.
- A plurality or majority of voters in each state say they are more likely to vote for a candidate who supports \$1 trillion in federal aid to prevent cuts to public services:

46% in Alaska, 49% in Colorado, 54% in Georgia, 46% in Iowa, 50% in Maine, 43% in Montana, and 53% in North Carolina.

Public Policy Polling surveyed:

- 885 Alaska voters from July 23-24, 2020. The margin of error is +/- 3.3%. 51% of interviews for the survey were conducted by telephone and 49% by text message.
- 891 Colorado voters from July 23-24, 2020. The margin of error is +/- 3.3%. 60% of interviews for the survey were conducted by text message and 40% by telephone.
- 722 Georgia voters from July 23-24, 2020. The margin of error is +/- 3.7%. 50% of interviews for the survey were conducted by telephone and 50% by text message.
- 1,118 Iowa voters from July 23-24, 2020. The margin of error is +/- 2.9%. 50% of interviews for the survey were conducted by telephone and 50% by text message.
- 962 Maine voters from July 23-24, 2020. The margin of error is +/- 3.2%. 56% of interviews for the survey were conducted by telephone and 44% by text message.
- 917 Montana voters from July 23-24, 2020. The margin of error is +/- 3.2%. 52% of interviews for the survey were conducted by telephone and 48% by text message.
- 884 North Carolina voters from July 23-24, 2020. The margin of error is +/- 3.3%. 50% of interviews for the survey were conducted by telephone and 50% by text message.