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Covid-19 Annotated Bibliography

Caprioni, Marga. "COVID-19 – Belgian Government Takes Measures for Those Who Can and Can't

Work." *The National Law Review*, National Law Forum, 6 Apr. 2020, www.natlawreview.com/article/covid-19-belgian-government-takes-measures-those-who-can-and-can-t-work. Accessed 6 Apr. 2020.

In the Internet Article, "COVID-19 – Belgian Government Takes Measures for Those Who Can and Can't Work," Marga Caprioni discusses the Belgian interim government's plan to help the unemployed during the pandemic. She notes key points of the plan that will benefit employees and employers. For example, workers will be entitled to 70 percent of their original salary during this time, and she notes the ease of the process to apply for unemployment. Additionally, the plan will give a boost to businesses that still need staff to work. Ultimately, Caprioni's article provides a clear overview of what the interim Belgian government plans to do to help workers. Overall, this rates as a good source. Since it is mainly listing key parts of the bill, it is objective and unbiased. However, it scores a little lower on relevance because it is about what Belgium is doing, but the article could be used as a comparison to evaluate the effectiveness of what the United States plans to do to help those unemployed: "During periods of unemployment, employees are entitled to 70% of the previous salary (capped at 2,754.76 EUR gross per month) plus a daily allowance of 5.63 EUR (up to 150 EUR per month) payable directly to the employee

by the National Unemployment Office.” This quote could be used as a comparison to the added \$600 benefit provided by the federal government.

The Editorial Board. “You Shouldn't Have to Risk Your Life to Vote.” *The New York Times*, 3 Apr. 2020, www.nytimes.com/2020/04/03/opinion/wisconsin-primary-coronavirus.html. Accessed 6 Apr. 2020.

In the editorial “You Shouldn't Have to Risk Your Life to Vote,” the Editorial Board criticizes Wisconsin's decision to move forward with primary voting. The board argues that Wisconsin voters will be forced to choose between their right to vote and the safety of their lives and the lives of their loved ones. Wisconsin has a stay-at-home order in place because of the Covid-19 pandemic, yet Republican legislators will not postpone primary voting. Even the Democratic governor initially supported voting as usual, but as the cases of Covid-19 increased in Wisconsin, he called for absentee voting by mail, but Republican lawmakers don't support this move.

Additionally, the 7,000 poll workers say they fear being infected and won't show up to the polls, which will result in over 100 precincts having no poll workers. Ultimately, what the Editorial Board is trying to convey in this editorial is that lawmakers are making citizens make the unfair choice between staying home to avoid infection and going to the polls to vote. Overall this rates as a good source because it scores high on the CRAAP test. The editorial is recent and published by a reputable newspaper. In addition, even though it expresses a clear opinion, the information and support is balanced because it presents opposing viewpoints. One noteworthy quote is, “[. . .]

Republicans are subjecting Wisconsinites to the worst of both worlds: a turnout that will be sharply reduced because so many voters will continue to do the right thing and abide by the stay-at-home order, and yet one that will still be large enough to inundate the few precincts that

will be open, and expose untold numbers of people to potential infection.” This could support the argument that some lawmakers are more worried about maintaining power than the safety of their constituents, and that mindset may backfire on them.