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## House hits gas, Senate pumps brakes on \$2T more in relief

By Mike Lillis and Scott Wong

• Congress is under the gun to pass yet another massive round of coronavirus relief, as small-business funds dry up, state budgets are ravaged and unemployment claims soar to record highs.

Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) and House Democrats are planning to unveil an enormous CARES 2 package in the coming days, with a possible floor vote as early as next week — a blistering pace for a proposal expected to rival the size of the initial CARES Act, which topped \$2.2 trillion and was signed into law March 27.

House passage would set up another heated clash with Republicans in the Senate, where Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) is calling for a “pause” in emergency aid, to allow the trillions of dollars already allocated to get out the door.

The brewing partisan battle promises to be the fiercest yet, following four earlier rounds of emergency relief, and will come as the federal government’s response to the coronavirus crisis grows increasingly polarized on Capitol Hill and around the country.

Highlighting the divide, the White House on Tuesday announced it will start  
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Senate Minority Leader Charles Schumer (D-N.Y.): “This will be one of the strangest sessions of the United States Senate in modern history.”

**‘I think we’re all anxious. We realized the danger to us.’**

# Senate steps into ‘strange’ new era

The Senate is back in session as the nation’s capital is under a stay-at-home order until at least May 15; Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell is attracting criticism for what one leading Democrat called “a risky decision.”

By Jordain Carney

• Senate Minority Leader Charles Schumer (D-N.Y.) offered a prediction minutes after the chamber reconvened for the first time in weeks on Monday.

“This will be one of the strangest sessions of the United States Senate in modern history,” he said.

As senators settle back into the Capitol this week, it’s clear that the spread of the coronavirus has fundamentally reshaped day-to-day life in Washington, with one lawmaker

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# AMERICA: IT'S TIME TO MOVE AWAY FROM MEAT

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