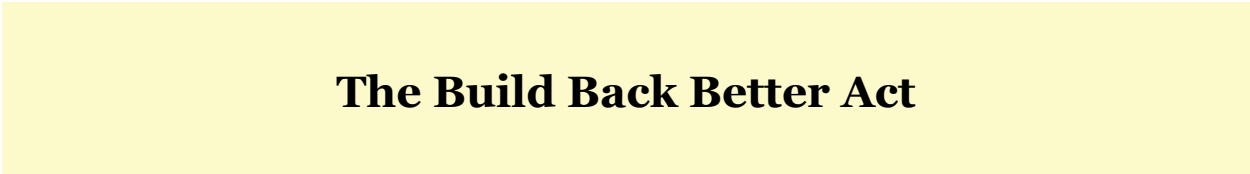




The Build Back Better Act



ISNA welcomes the passing of the Build Back Better Act by the US House of Representatives. The spending package, passed by a vote of 220-213, will allocate nearly \$2 trillion on a host of ambitious new social programs, including universal pre-kindergarten, increased childcare subsidies, paid family leave, and investments in health care, eldercare, and initiatives aimed at shifting the country away from fossil fuels. This is an important step, moving this historic piece of legislation on to the Senate, and if passed, onto President Biden's desk for signature to become law. It represents the United States' biggest investment in climate action in history, and our biggest investment in social programs since the New Deal.

Basharat Saleem, ISNA's Executive Director stated, "ISNA, with its 58-year history and service-driven mission of striving for justice and equity tempered by compassion for all members of society, especially those who are most vulnerable, believes that this bill, if made law and implemented, will take us a long way in not only building back better, but building back right."