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## **ACEC/MA Health & Safety Forum**

**11/22, 2:30 PM, Zoom**

Join us as we navigate OSHA ETS and Executive Order 14042 and discuss what these mean for our businesses.

[Zoom Info Request for ACEC/MA Health & Safety Forum](#)



See our **Vaccination Mandate Web Page** updates as of 11/16/21, including ACEC Research Institute's national survey results and recent webinar. . . [More >](#)

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Briefings & Events

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## **What Lies Ahead: Understanding Engineering's Future Impact on the US Economy - Live Roundtable**

**ACEC Research Institute Webinar, 12/8, 12:30 PM, Zoom**

The ACEC Research Institute unveils its 2nd annual Engineering Industry Forecast, as well as deliver an update on the Engineering Industry Contribution report.

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**2021 Issue:**

**What Cyber Insurance Limits  
Should Your Firm Carry?**

A material threat to design firms' operations and liability comes from exposures created by the connectivity of a company's computer network and devices to the outside world, possession of confidential or valuable documents, and the vulnerabilities caused by human errors and missteps in the electronic realm....[Read this article & more in the Fall 2021 Issue of ACEC/MA Insights](#)



**Catalytic Converter Theft**

**Part of the Technical Information Paper Series from  
ACEC BIT, Greyling and The Hartford**

If your firm maintains a vehicle fleet, you'll want to review this paper. Theft of catalytic converters are on the rise in the US. The National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB) reports that catalytic converter thefts rose 1750% from January 2019 to December 2020.

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**Government Affairs**

**No Deal on ARPA Spending Yet; Negotiations Continue on Thursday:** At press time, Massachusetts House and Senate conferees have not yet reached a deal on a multi-billion spending package for the state's allocation of the American Rescue Plan Act and FY2021 surplus revenue, as they had hoped. The conference committee will continue negotiations. Updates on [Our ARPA Funding Resource Page](#)

**Now It's Time to Get to Work, From ACEC President & CEO Linda Bauer Darr:** The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act is now law. President Biden has selected former New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu to serve as the Administration's point person to coordinate the bill's implementation, and Secretary Buttigieg is ready to start turning legislative text into action... [More >](#)

**ACEC/MA's Government Affairs Comm (GAC)** reviews bills impacting our Eng/PLS/A/E community.

**Next GAC Meeting = 11/19 @ 10 AM on Zoom**

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**From ACEC Last Word Blog**

**Engineering Influence Podcasts:** Three ACEC Podcasts Uploaded This Week: Digital Delivery, M&A Market, and Risk Management... [More >](#)

**Listen to the November Economic Report**

Listen to the summarized version of ACEC's economic update for November from ACEC [Here >](#)

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## Resources from Recent ACEC/MA Committee and Forum Briefings

**11/16/21: Private Sector Committee:** The Retention Solution: Creating an Exceptional Employee Experience with **Paul Weisman** (SMART Conversations)

- [PDF of Presentation](#)
- [Participant Handout](#) (word doc)

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**11/16/21: Accounting & Finance Forum:** Tax Planning Forum with **Stephen Minson** and **Rebecca Welnak** of DGC: [PDF](#)

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**11/17/21: TALC:** MassDOT Municipal Grant Programs with **Cassandra Gascon**, Community Grants Program Administrator: [PDF](#)

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