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## **SIFMA Statement on the Municipal Bonds Emergency Relief** <u>Act.</u>

Washington, D.C., March 20, 2020 – SIFMA today issued the following statement from President and CEO Kenneth E. Bentsen, Jr. on the Municipal Bonds Emergency Relief Act.

"SIFMA applauds the introduction of the Municipal Bonds Emergency Relief Act, which aims to support the municipal bond market during this volatile time. The municipal bond market is one of our nation's most remarkable financial institutions, providing a mechanism whereby more than 50,000 state and local government units can raise money for public purposes that benefit communities and ensure their sustainability. We appreciate the attention paid to this important sector of the markets and thank Senator Menendez for introducing this legislation to help states and localities use these financing tools to address the current crisis."

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