

# Employment and Labour Law in the wake of COVID-19

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# COVID-19: Premier John Horgan extends B.C.'s state of emergency for two weeks

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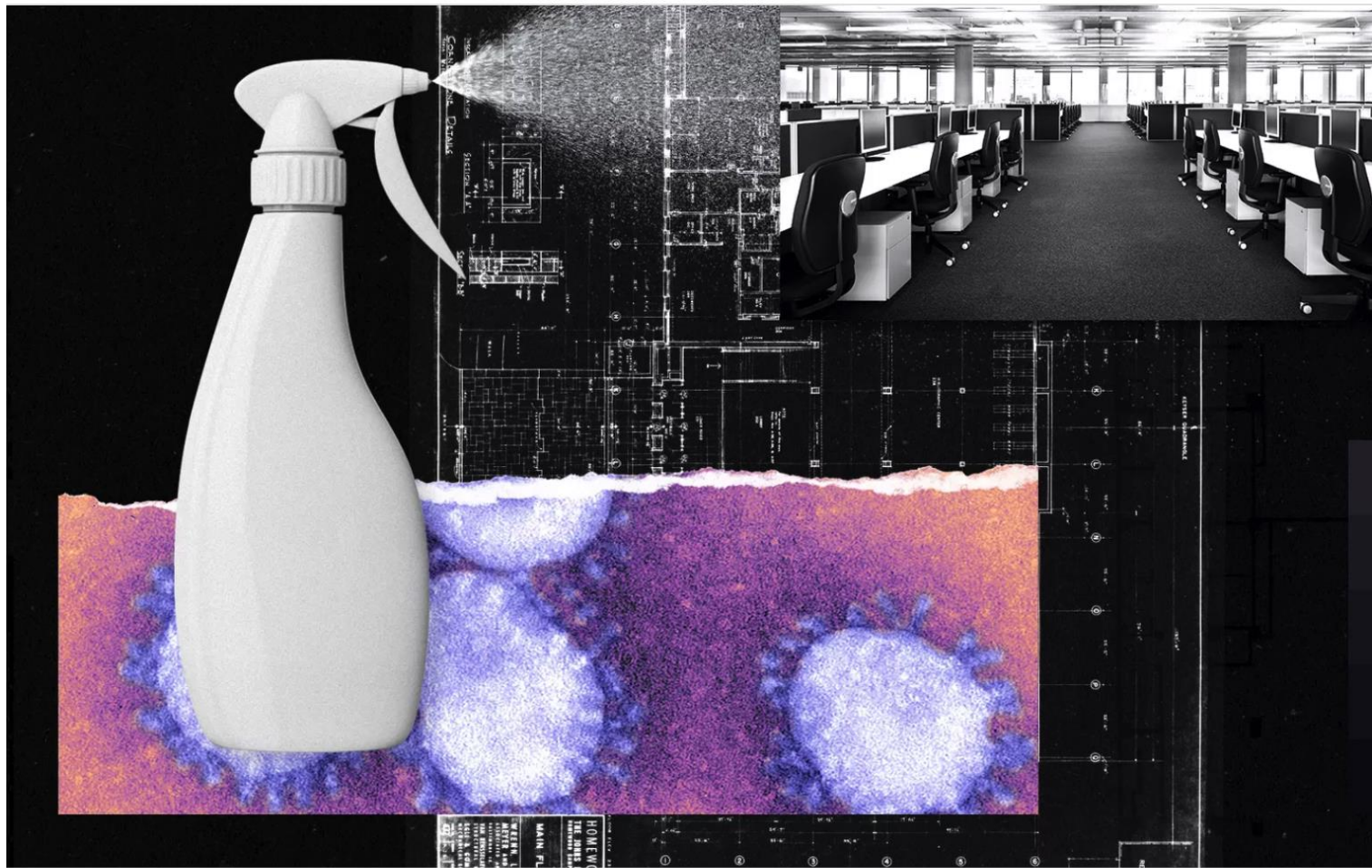
# Coronavirus layoffs have only started. Prepare yourself for the worst.

Politics Insider for March 31: We're tracking layoffs across Canada, and offering advice to those who lose their jobs. Also, the PM announces who qualifies for a federal wage subsidy.

By Nick Taylor-Vaisey  
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## **This is the end of the office as we know it**

The pandemic already pushed millions to work from home. Many of them will likely go back to a very different office.

# On the hook for premiums

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# COVID-19: More than 200 WorkSafeBC claims filed for virus exposure at work



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# WorkSafeBC starts COVID-19 focused inspections

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**B**ritish Columbia's safety enforcement authority is stepping up inspections as COVID-19 pushes the industry into new and risky territory.

WorkSafeBC recently announced an "inspectional initiative" to ensure British Columbia worksites are complying with new COVID-19 regulations.



# Existing workplace safety regulations remain flexible to COVID-19

Nothing in the works to cement specific COVID-19 measures into occupational health and safety policies: WorkSafeBC

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# No more heroics, B.C. premier says in stern reminder to stay home from work when sick



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The Cargill plant north of High River, AB, south of Calgary is shown on Friday, April 17, 2020. Jim Wells/Postmedia

# Alberta meat-processing plant tied to Canada's largest COVID-19 outbreak to reopen within days



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## B.C. still planning approach on reopening schools



While some provinces have announced their plans to reopen schools amid the pandemic, B.C. says it is still in its planning stages.

# Why a Second Wave of Covid-19 Is Already a Worry

By John Lauer

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