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Subject: How South Carolina's Economy Is Affected by Federal Regulations

Dear Chaney,

On March 29th, we will release a 50-state research product that provides a new perspective on the impact of federal regulations on your state's economy. In advance of its release, I want to highlight this and another regulatory study from the Mercatus Center at George Mason University that may be of keen interest to you.

Previewed below is Kentucky's profile in the upcoming Federal Regulations and State Enterprises Index (FRASE). Your state profile will be in this format.

[FRASE – Federal Regulatory Impact on Kentucky's Leading Industries](#)

See below for further regulatory research from the Mercatus Center.

Best,

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[Cutting Red Tape in Canada: A Regulatory Reform Model for the United States?](#)

[Laura Jones](#) | Nov 11, 2015

This paper looks at how the government of British Columbia approached regulatory reform and suggests that the Canadian experience could be a model for governments in the United States. Given how many governments have tried and failed to reduce red tape and the regulatory burden, it is remarkable that British Columbia was able to do so. Policymakers in the United States should take notice of these lessons and adopt a similar model.

[How Do Federal Regulations Affect Consumer Prices? An Analysis of the Regressive Effects of Regulation](#)

[Dustin Chambers](#), [Courtney A. Collins](#) | Feb 23, 2016

This study examines the relationship between regulatory expansion and higher prices and asks whether those price increases have a disproportionately negative effect on low-income households. Our results suggest that the poorest households spend a larger proportion of their income on goods that are heavily regulated and subject to both high and volatile prices.

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