

# Regulatory Studies Center

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United States Senate  
Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs  
Washington, DC 20510-6250

Dear Senators Johnson, Carper, Lankford, and Heitkamp:

Thank you very much for your request for recommendations for improving the regulatory process.

The George Washington University Regulatory Studies Center works to improve regulatory policy through research, education, and outreach. An academic center of the Trachtenberg School of Public Policy and Public Administration, we are a network of scholars from around the globe with experience and credibility on regulatory matters who conduct objective, empirically-based analysis of regulatory policies and practices.

While neither the Center nor the George Washington University takes institutional positions on issues, the work of our scholars is relevant for the Committee's Regulatory Improvement Effort. The attached document summarizes key insights from some of our research, and provides citations to relevant background documents that provide further detail.

We appreciate the Committee's interest in regulatory reform. If the Center or its scholars can be of further assistance to your initiative, please feel free to contact either me or senior policy analyst, Sofie Miller ([sofiemiller@gwu.edu](mailto:sofiemiller@gwu.edu); 202-994-2974).

Respectfully,



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