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## *Red Tape Review*

### **Regulations by the Numbers for 2011:**

<b>228 Days:</b>	Since Obama's Executive Order on Regulations
<b>54 Days:</b>	Since Obama's Executive Order on Regulations for Independent Agencies
<b>1 Rule:</b>	Repealed this year – spilled milk not considered an oil spill
<b>426 Rules:</b>	Regulations deemed significant under Executive Order 12866
<b>\$69.7B:</b>	Cost of regulatory burdens from new rules for the year
<b>54920 Pages:</b>	Pages of regulations in the Federal Register so far this year
<b>78.3 Million:</b>	Hours of annual paperwork burden

Job creators scored a major victory today in the fight against Washington's red tape. The White House has finally admitted that its \$90 billion [ozone rule](#) was completely unnecessary and bad for our economy. *However, the Administration continues to push a [long list of other regulations](#), costing more than \$1 billion each, making it harder for the private sector to create new jobs.*

**[THE HILL: Obama Hands over List of Big-Ticket Regulations to Boehner, House GOP:](#)** *Four of the regulations Obama listed as costing more than \$1 billion are being considered by the Environmental Protection Agency.* “At a time like this, with our economy struggling to create jobs, it’s misguided for the federal government to be imposing so many new rules with such enormous costs, even when some of those rules may be well-intentioned.” (August 30, 2011)

**[WASHINGTON TIMES: Obama's Anti-Jobs Agenda:](#)** Far from a jobs agenda, *Mr. Obama advances an explicit anti-jobs program, one totaling hundreds of billions of dollars in costs and hundreds of thousands in jobs lost and jobs that can never appear.* “Economically significant” rules in the pipeline - those the feds admit will cost at least \$100 million annually and the most ominous for job creation - are up an inconceivable 27 percent since 2009, from 172 to 219. (September 1, 2011)

**[NATIONAL REVIEW: Ten Job-Destroying Regulations:](#)** A key element to the GOP jobs agenda will be identifying and eliminating federal regulations that are needlessly burdening business owners and in many cases preventing them from hiring new employees. *To that end, House committee chairmen have put together a list of “the 10 most harmful job-destroying regulations,” and plan to take action over the coming weeks and months to repeal or forestall these restrictive measures.* (August 30, 2011)

**WALL STREET JOURNAL: Banking in a Time of Over-Regulation:** *We need an approach to regulation that will ensure fundamental protection of consumers, the environment and other concerns without bogging businesses down in red tape or chilling expansion with threats of additional rules and harsh penalties.* Entrepreneurs are eager to innovate, expand, hire and sell, if government would just get out of the way (August 30, 2011)

**FINANCIAL TIMES: US Coal-Fired Power Stations under Threat:** *New regulations governing pollution from coal plants that have been proposed by the US government's Environmental Protection Agency could force up to 20 per cent of those plants to shut down, according to analysts and industry executives.* (August 28, 2011)

**LAS VEGAS REVIEW-JOURNAL: Regulations Crippling Job Creation:** The Obama administration is massively handicapped...by the fact that neither the president nor the vast majority of his advisers have ever created or even held jobs of any significance in the private sector. *Coming from backgrounds in government and academia, they tend to stress government subsidies for hand-picked projects -- always more government as the remedy, never less.* (September 1, 2011)

## ***GOP Solutions to Red Tape***

**Johnson Introduces Regulation Moratorium and Job Preservation Act (S. 1438)**

**Collins Introduces Bill to Give EPA Adequate Time to Implement Boiler MACT Rule (S. 1392)**

**Toomey Introduces Employment Protection Act (S. 1292)**

**Barrasso Introduces Employment Impact Act (S. 1219)**

**Portman Introduces Measure to Reduce Red Tape on Job Creators (S. 1189)**

**Inhofe Releases Senate Report Exposing the High Cost of EPA's Water Regulations and Their Impacts on State and Local Budgets**

**Rubio Calls on Senate to Act on Amendment Defunding Job-Destroying EPA Mandate (S. Amdt. 435)**

**Senators Introduce Keeping Politics Out of Federal Contracting Act (S. 1100)**

**Vitter Introduces Bill to Put "Moratorium" on Agencies Over-Regulating (S. 927)**

**Alexander, Graham, DeMint Introduce Job Protection Act (S. 964)**

**DeMint Pushes to Repeal Dodd-Frank Financial Takeover (S. 712)**

**Enzi Backs Constitutional Amendment to Give Power Back to the States (S.J. Res. 12)**

**Senate Republican Jobs Plan: An Outline for Creating American Jobs and Prosperity**

**Moran Introduces Bill to Reform Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (S. 737)**

**Inhofe, Johanns Introduce “Comprehensive Assessment of Regulations on the Economy (CARE) Act” (S. 609)**

**Collins Introduces “Clearing Unnecessary Regulatory Burdens (CURB) Act” (S. 602)**

**Snowe, Coburn Introduce the “Small Business Regulatory Freedom Act” (S. 474)**

**Roberts Introduces “Regulatory Responsibility for our Economy Act” (S. 358)**

**Paul Introduces REINS Act (S. 299)**