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## *Red Tape Review*

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

<b>234 Days:</b>	Since the President's Executive Order on Regulations
<b>60 Days:</b>	Since the President's Executive Order on Regulations for Independent Agencies
<b>1 Rule:</b>	Repealed this year – spilled milk not considered an oil spill
<b>436 Rules:</b>	Regulations deemed significant under Executive Order 12866
<b>\$69.7B:</b>	Cost of regulatory burdens from new rules for the year
<b>56090 Pages:</b>	Pages of regulations in the Federal Register so far this year
<b>78.7 Million:</b>	Hours of annual paperwork burden

This week, western members of the Senate and House introduced the “[Jobs Frontier](#)” plan – a plan which highlights over 40 concrete legislative solutions that will cut red tape, develop American energy and break down barriers to private sector job creation.

Senate Republicans are fighting for common sense solutions such as [Sen. Marco Rubio's bill, S. 1506, to block pending IRS regulations requiring banks to report all interest deposits paid to nonresident aliens. The bill would prevent billions of dollars from being driven away from U.S. banks.](#)

**POLITICO: Focus Must Be On Job Creators:** The administration has 4,000 regulations in the pipeline, according to one estimate. Every one should be reviewed. *If the president really wants to create jobs, he needs to be as bold about liberating job creators as he has been about shackling them.* (U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell, September 7, 2011)

**ARGUS LEADER: President's Jobs Agenda Must Reduce Regulations, Thune Says:** If Obama is “serious about job growth, about stimulating the nation's economy, he will expand a call for agencies to remove a lot of these burdensome regulations,” Sen. Thune said. *Much of the criticism has been directed at the Environmental Protection Agency, including the possibility that the agency could regulate dust on farms.* (September 8, 2011)

**ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH: Blunt, GOPers Hoping for Retreat on Regulations in Obama Speech:** *Sen. Roy Blunt...summed up his fondest hope for Obama's speech this way: “A virtual moratorium on new regulations for the rest of his first term. Give people an 18-month breathing period.”* (September 7, 2011)

**BLOOMBERG: Chevron Chief Says Obama Shouldn't Use Subsidies to Add Jobs:** *“The administration should abandon efforts to repeal about \$4 billion a year in oil and gas tax breaks and reconsider an Environmental Protection Agency rule on greenhouse-gas emissions to control climate change,”* Watson said today at a conference in Washington. (September 7, 2011)

**CNBC: Discouraged CEOs Set Bar Low for Obama's Job Speech:** John Schiller, chairman and CEO of Energy XXI, said *“if the government would get out of the way, from a regulation standpoint, and let us do what we do good you'll see us continue to hire and grow this economy. I think that's a message from across the board.”* (September 7, 2011)

**DETROIT NEWS: Michigan Business Leaders Offer President Obama Jobs Advice:** James M. Nicholson, vice chairman, PVS Chemicals, Detroit, said *“We are most worried about regulations. We're seeing many more proposed regulations for everything from what comes out of the steam stack to the energy supply. We need to have confidence that the regulatory environment is not going to change after we make a major investment, because if it does, it affects our expected return on the investment.”* (September 8, 2011)

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

**Rubio, Cornyn, Hutchison Look to Shut Down Proposed IRS Reporting Rule (S. 1506)**

**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 \(S. 299\)](#)**