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AAF Research Details Impact of Billion Dollar Regulations on Jobs, Compensation

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The impact of large regulations, those costing $1 billion or more, is detrimental to industry employment and worker’s salaries, new research from the American Action Forum (@AAF) found. The AAF research examined various industries that are affected by costly regulations and the resulting changes in employment and compensation

Key findings from the research include:

- Four or more billion dollar regulations have significant effects on industry employment. For example, two costly regulations can decrease industry employment by 17.5 percent.
- Five or more billion dollar regulations could reduce average industry pay per employee by 12 percent.
- Government data shows there have been at least 21,684 unemployed workers due to regulations since 2007.

The research was written by Sam Batkins, AAF’s Director of Regulatory Policy.

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