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Back to the Future: Biden's First Regulatory Agenda

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The Biden Administration recently released its first regulatory agenda, providing more evidence that its regulatory policies will undo Trump Administration policies and reinstate, or expand upon, Obama-era rules. In a new analysis, AAF's Director of Regulatory Policy Dan Bosch outlines the prominent rules, particularly energy and labor rules, that are revivals of Obama Administration efforts and departures from the Trump Administration.

An excerpt:

In terms of the raw numbers, the first Biden UA differs little from the last UA of the Trump Administration, which was released in December 2020. The Biden UA contains fewer "active actions" than the last UA (2,550 actions currently being worked on, down from 2,636) and "major" actions (169 compared to 182).

A look beyond the numbers, however, shows that the Biden Administration plans to revive – or in many cases go beyond – the regulatory policies of the Obama Administration. This UA is the clearest signal yet that the Biden Administration will resurrect many regulations of the past. This analysis examines the prominent rules that are revivals from the Obama Administration and departures from the Trump Administration.

Read the analysis.