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Douglas Holtz-Eakin Testimony on the Delay of the Employer Mandate

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WASHINGTON — American Action Forum (@AAF) President Douglas Holtz-Eakin will today testify in front of the House Committee on Education and Workforce – Subcommittee on Health, Education, Labor and Workforce, on the topic of the Employer Mandate delay within the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Highlights from the testimony are included below.

“The ACA will contribute to slower job growth. The employer mandate is a disincentive for hiring; combined with regulatory burdens and new taxes the net effect will be to limit the ability for firms to grow;

The law will lead to a greater reliance on a part-time workforce, as companies will not be mandated to provide health insurance benefits to part-time workers. These workers will thus have to make do with a reduced income or balance multiple part-time jobs; and

The law will change how employees are compensated. Both the rising cost of insurance premiums (including the taxes on those insurance plans) and the availability of subsidized coverage will make employers more likely to forgo health benefits and raise monetary compensation.”

The complete testimony submitted for the record can be found [online HERE](#).