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Senator Ted Harvey  
Colorado State Senate

Re: SB 13-020 concerning business fiscal impacts.

In some surveys of our membership the issue of regulations has replaced affordable healthcare and the economy as the top issue of importance.

We are pleased to support your efforts with Senate Bill 20. The cost to small businesses, in fact to all businesses is often overlooked when even the most well intended regulatory policy is passed. Senate bill 20 is a message to Colorado job creators that the state cares about the challenges main street faces in efforts to continue climbing out of the economic down turn Colorado has endured.

In a 2008 report by the Small Business Administration it was found that regulations added \$1.7 trillion dollars in costs to American industry.

Regulatory reform is such an important issue to small business owners Small Businesses for Sensible Regulations, a project of NFIB, was created in an effort dedicated to protecting small businesses and American jobs from the impacts of regulations.

Small businesses are responsible for nearly two-thirds of job growth in this country and are employing over three quarters of the US workforce. If there were ever a time when Colorado needed to spur greater support for entrepreneurship to create and attract new business, it is now.

NFIB/Colorado is proud to support Senate bill 20.

Sincerely,

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