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This Congress and Administration have been relentless in rolling back job-crushing federal red-tape. How refreshing it has been to get government out of the way, [cut down on thousands of pages of regulations](#), and unleash our economy's true potential. A hallmark of the work we accomplished this Congress was **preventing over a dozen Obama-era regulations from becoming law through the Congressional Review Act (CRA)**.

A CRA gives Congress authority to repeal rules issued by the executive branch before their implementation, limiting the power of the federal government. Altogether the 14 CRAs passed by Congress and signed by President Trump [saved](#) **an estimated \$3.7 billion in regulatory costs and eliminated 4.2 million paperwork hours for federal agencies**. Stopping these rules reduced compliance costs by an estimated \$35 billion for relevant industries. This tool was absolutely critical to slow the growth of the federal bureaucracy.

The House also passed the REINS Act as a check on the federal ruling making process. Still awaiting Senate consideration, the REINS Act requires Congressional approval for new regulations imposing over \$100 million in costs.

Simply put, our government is too large, and I'm proud of the steps taken to cut back the pages and pages of job-killing regulations.

There is still more to be done to limit the size and scope of the federal government. Please know that I will continue to be active in the fight to roll back regulations, cut spending, and limit the government overreach.

Please do not hesitate to [contact me](#) anytime an issue that concerns you comes before the House.

It's an honor to serve you and Virginia's First District in the People's House.

Sincerely,

Rob