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From: Sent: To: Subject: Darren Weaver <weaverism@me.com> Thursday, July 26, 2018 4:01 PM IRRC Comment on proposed overtime salary threshold increase JUL 26 2018

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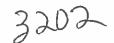
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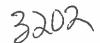
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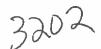
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We strongly oppose this action and ask that you do not increase the threshold.

Sincerely,

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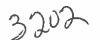
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| Sent: | Thursday, July 26, 2018 4:01 PM | JUL 26 2018 |
| To: | IRRC | |
| Subject: | Comment on proposed overtime salary threshold increase | Independent Regulatory Review Commission |

Dear Director of Labor Law Smolock,

As a small business owner in Pennsylvania, I am writing in opposition to the Department of Labor and Industry's proposal to more than double the salary threshold for employee overtime eligibility. As you may be aware, a federal court recently struck down an Obama-era rule that proposed to do the same thing to businesses like mine.

The proposed increase in the state threshold from an annual salary of \$23,660 to \$47,892 over three years will harm small businesses and their employees. It will limit the flexibility they can offer them now with hours, benefits, and pay. It will affect the morale of employees at my business by forcing them back to punching a time clock, which will also impact my business' quality, customer service, and reputation. Further, the proposal seriously underestimates the costs to comply because it doesn't take into account the higher costs to small businesses of state mandates like this. Higher costs will force businesses like mine to cut back the hours and pay of the very employees the change is intended to help.

Small businesses like mine can't afford the loss of flexibility and increased cost of the proposed overtime rule. It will ultimately reduce benefits and career opportunities for my employees, the very workers it is intended to help.

Sincerely,

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