



# The Voice of Small Business in Government

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# OFFICE OF ADVOCACY

The Office of Advocacy is the independent voice for small business within the federal government.

- **Created by Congress** in 1976
- Located in Washington, DC, with 10 regional advocates, a rural advocate and a manufacturing/tech advocate
- **Represents small businesses & Governments (under 50,000)** before Congress, the White House, and the federal agencies
- **Functions independently** of the SBA, Congress, and the White House



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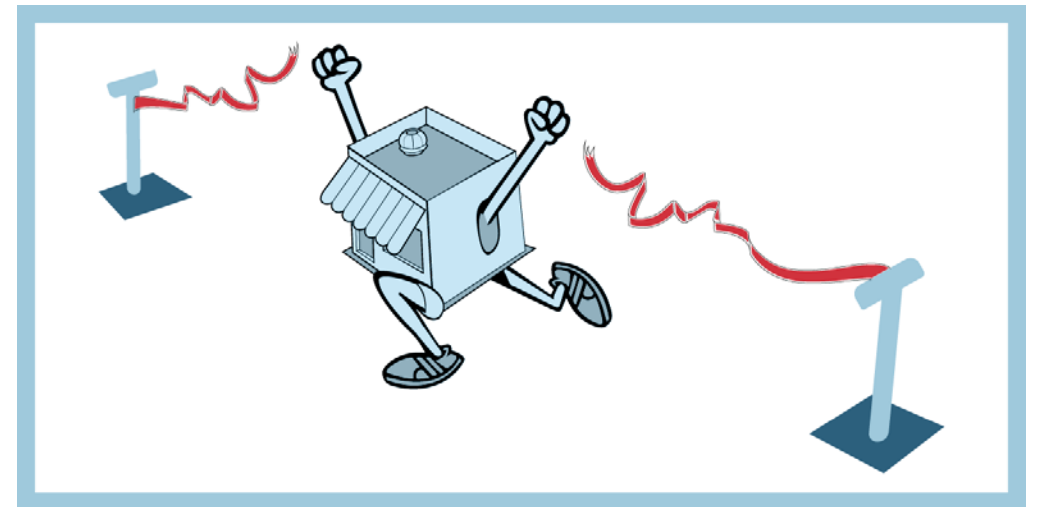
# REGULATION

## The Regulatory Flexibility Act:

- It requires federal agencies to estimate the impact of proposed regulations on small businesses.
- It requires them to consider less costly ways of achieving their goals.

## Regulatory Cost Savings:

- In FY 2017, Advocacy's intervention resulted in regulatory cost savings of over \$1 billion.



# REGULATORY ROLLBACK AND REFORM

- 2 for 1 –for every new regulation issued, two must be cut in that agency
- The total incremental increased cost to comply with all federal regulations will be \$0 (or less) this year.



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# SUMMARY

- Independent office
- Listens to small business, small nonprofits and small governmental entities
- Fights burdensome regulation on small business
- Provides research and statistics on small business
- Brings your input back to our nation's leaders



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