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HELP NEVADANS GET BACK TO WORK!

Nevadans are reeling from widespread job losses, business closures and the economic pain caused by the coronavirus shutdown. The Legislature can help Nevadans get back to work by addressing the state's overly burdensome occupational licensing system, which was recently ranked 2nd worst in the nation, thanks to licensing fees that can be as high as $2,250.

INCREASE ACCOUNTABILITY

In Nevada, licensing rules are promulgated by unaccountable, independent boards, dominated by industry insiders who have a vested interested in discouraging employment and potential competition. In response to this problem, Governor Sisolak's staff recommended placing the boards under the authority of the Governor's Office. **Nevada should make licensing boards accountable to the Governor's Office and adopt a mandate that they only approve the *least-burdensome* regulations necessary for protecting the public welfare.**

IMPLEMENT A MORATORIUM ON ALL LICENSING FEES FOR THE NEXT 24 MONTHS!

Cosmetologists, massage therapists, barbers and many others have been shut down or seen a dramatic drop in business. Why are they still being charged a licensing fee if they can't work?

TO LEARN MORE:

Nevada Policy published a comprehensive guidebook addressing a multitude of reforms, including expanding apprenticeship opportunities to aspiring cosmetologists, recognizing out-of-state licenses, permanently lowering the exorbitant "processing" and registration fees for contractors, abolishing mandatory licensure for interior designers, and much more.
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