

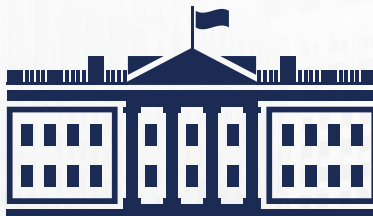
# A STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO THE REGULATORY PROCESS

Please note that the steps for implementing a new rule or rescinding one are the same.



1

**Bureaucracy Drafts a Regulation**



2

**Review by the White House Office of Management and Budget (OMB)/Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA)**



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**Notice of Proposed Rule published in the Federal Register\***

\*There are a few exceptions to this rule.

## 4 Public Comment Period



This is the one step where the American people can have their voices heard and stop a regulation from taking effect. Major public response to proposed rules can be decisive in the regulatory process.



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**Bureaucracy Responds to Public Comments With Final Regulation Language**



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**Bureaucracy Internally Reviews Regulation**



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**OMB/OIRA Issues Final Review**



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**Regulation Included in Federal Register**



10

**Rule Takes Effect**

## HOW CONGRESS CAN STOP REGULATIONS

1

Passing a law eliminating, clarifying or altering the regulation

2

Eliminating funding for enforcement of the regulation

3

Using the Congressional Review Act process to revoke the rule within 60 days of its finalization, which requires simple majority votes in both houses of Congress and the President's signature.