

September 3, 2025

Dear Chairman Jordan and Ranking Member Raskin:

The undersigned organizations strongly support the **EXPERTS Act**, previously the **Stop Corporate Capture Act**.

To tackle the pressing challenges we face as a nation including an extreme political climate in which President Trump and his congressional allies are dismantling federal agencies and rolling back vital safeguards, we must push for a robust, responsive, and inclusive federal regulatory system. We do not have such a regulatory system today. Instead, after decades of neglect and underinvestment, our regulatory system is now rife with delay, unbridled corporate influence, inadequate transparency, and weak public accountability. With long overdue, common sense reforms, the regulatory system would be better able to keep up with innovation and technological advances and do more to further social justice and equity.

The EXPERTS Act is needed now more than ever as we have reached the one-year mark since the disastrous decision by the Supreme Court to overturn the long-standing legal precedent of *Chevron* deference. Congress must act now to codify *Chevron* deference into law to prevent any fallout from this Supreme Court decision. The decision undermines the ability of government agencies to do their job – that Congress gave them – to protect the public. Making *Chevron* deference the law of the land is critical to restoring separation of powers and stopping the judiciary from usurping power that Congress delegated to agencies that protect the public.

The EXPERTS Act offers the necessary comprehensive blueprint for modernizing, improving, and strengthening the regulatory system to protect the public from harm more effectively. It would level the playing field for all members of the public to have their views accounted for in regulatory decisions that affect them; promote scientific integrity; and restore our government's ability to deliver results for workers, consumers, public health and safety, and the environment.

Among the essential reforms this bill would introduce are the following:

Restore Scientific Integrity and Independent Expertise

The EXPERTS Act codifies *Chevron* deference, the long-standing legal principle that prevents judges from allowing their political preferences to influence their decisions in cases involving regulations. *Chevron* deference requires courts to defer to government agencies that Congress empowered to protect the public when an agency's interpretation of an ambiguous statute is reasonable. This makes sense, as agencies are the independent, subject-matter experts. The Act also requires anyone submitting scientific or other technical research to agencies during the rulemaking process to disclose any potential conflicts of interest the research may raise. In addition, a provision of the Act bars the White House from unreasonably delaying essential safeguards by empowering agencies to resume work if the regulatory review process fails to conclude after 60 days. Importantly, the Act authorizes agencies to quickly reinstate any rules that were rescinded through the Congressional Review Act (CRA).

Increase Regulatory Transparency and Accuracy

The EXPERTS Act brings transparency to the “black box” of the White House regulatory review process, which has become a focal point for corporate lobbying. The Act accomplishes this by requiring disclosure of changes and the sources of those changes to draft rules during that process. Furthermore, the Act imposes civil penalties on corporations that submit false information in order to influence regulators during the rulemaking process.

Prioritize the Public Interest

The EXPERTS Act creates an Office of the Public Advocate, charged with promoting agencies’ public engagement practices and helping members of the public to participate more effectively in regulatory proceedings. The Office of the Public Advocate will research the social equity impacts of the regulatory process and perform social equity assessments of pending rules when requested by the public. The Act also strengthens agency procedures for notifying the public about pending rulemakings.

Restore Time Limit for Legal Challenges

The EXPERTS Act would reinstate a 6-year time limit for legal challenges to regulatory protections, with the clock starting when the agency action is finalized. This critical provision responds to the Supreme Court’s 2024 *Corner Post* decision, which held that the clock for filing a lawsuit begins any time an entity claims it was first “injured” by the rule. The Court’s damaging decision leaves every critical safeguard open to indefinite legal attack by regulated entities. The EXPERTS Act restores the longstanding time limit and common sense to the regulatory process.

Congress must pass the EXPERTS Act to enact critical and long overdue reforms to our nation’s regulatory process that work for the public interest, and restore judicial review of regulations by codifying *Chevron* deference. We once again urge you to support this necessary and groundbreaking bill.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

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Delaware Community Reinvestment Action Council, Inc.
Earthjustice Action
Endangered Species Coalition
Economic Policy Institute
GenDemocracy; Stop the Coup 2025 campaign to stop Project 2025

Genesee Co-op Federal Credit Union

Good Jobs First

Government Information Watch

GreenLatinos

Greenpeace USA

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Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility

International Center for Technology Assessment

Interfaith Power & Light

International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America (UAW)

Jacobs Institute of Women's Health

Jobs to Move America

Kettle Range Conservation Group

Lawyers for Good Government

League of Conservation Voters

Medical Students for a Sustainable Future (MS4SF)

National Association of Consumer Advocates

National Consumer Law Center (on behalf of its low-income clients)

National Consumers League

National Employment Law Project

National Federation of Federal Employees

National Health Law Program

New Jersey Association on Correction

NETWORK Lobby for Catholic Social Justice

Oregon Consumer Justice
Oregon Consumer League
People Power United
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Sierra Club
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South Carolina Appleseed Legal Justice Center
Southern Environmental Law Center
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