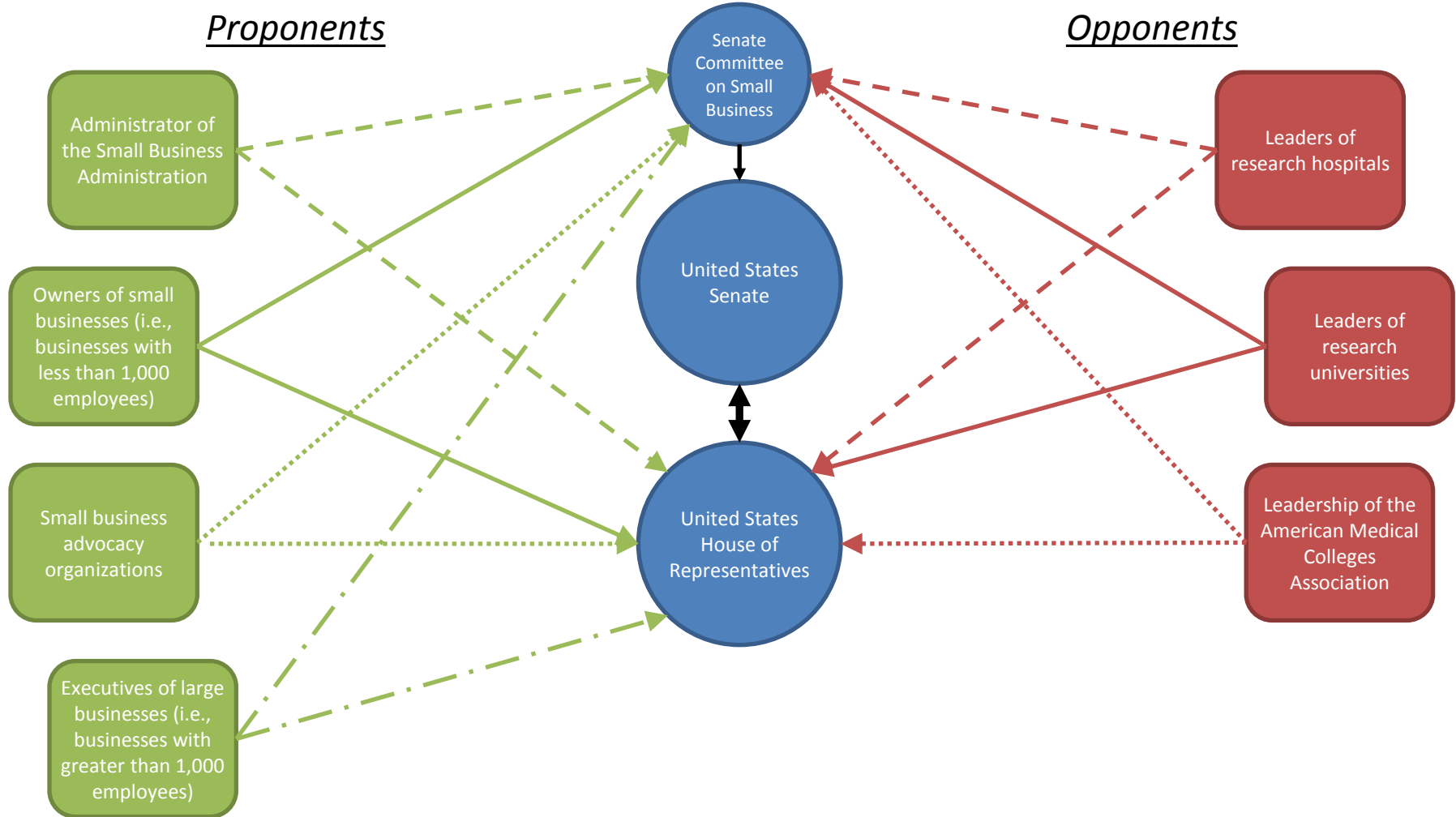# Pub.L. 97-219 Small Business Innovation Act of 1982

Policy Domain Map

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Policy Framing Comparison

Proponents

Mob at the Gates — America's enemies will take advantage of this situation and eradicate our way of life.

- Small business owners
- Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration

Rot at the Top — Contract administrators are discriminating against small businesses to make things easier for themselves.

- Small business owners
- Executives of large businesses

Decline Narrative — America used to have a growing economy and unquestioned global dominance.

- Small business owners
- Small business advocacy organizations
- Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration

Efficiency Narrative — Small businesses are much more efficient innovators than large businesses.

- Small business owners
- Executives of large businesses

Opponents

Benevolent Community — America is guided by the aspirational principle of treating everyone fairly and not showing favoritism to any one group over other groups.

- Leaders and faculty of research universities
- Leaders of research hospitals
- Leadership of the American Medical College Association

Decline Narrative — This policy changes the selection process from a research excellence criteria to a privilege criteria.

- Leaders and faculty of research universities
- Leaders of research hospitals
- Leadership of the American Medical College Association

Decline Narrative — This policy will take the nation on a path towards to sub-par research and development.

- Leaders and faculty of research universities
- Leaders of research hospitals
- Leadership of the American Medical College Association

Equity Narrative — This policy will unfairly take away opportunities from highly talented and deserving researchers simply because of where they work.

- Leaders and faculty of research universities
- Leaders of research hospitals

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Policy and Political Implications Flow Diagram

Proponents

- America's enemies will use the situation to harm us if current trends persist. → This policy stops and reverses the current trends of economic loss and lack of innovation. → Protect our way of life

- Contract administrators are discriminating against small businesses. → This policy mitigates discriminatory practices so the nation can benefit from small business innovation. → Generate economic prosperity / Maintain global dominance

- America's used to have a growing economy and global dominance. → This policy enables America to produce the technological innovation necessary for its protection and economic growth. → Maintain global dominance / Generate economic prosperity

Opponents

- America is straying from its guiding aspirational principles. → This policy discriminates by showing favoritism to one group over all others. → Erode what makes America superior

- Changing the formula for how funding is distributed is dangerous. → This policy replaces a research excellence criteria with a privilege criteria. → Erode what makes America superior / Loss of global dominance

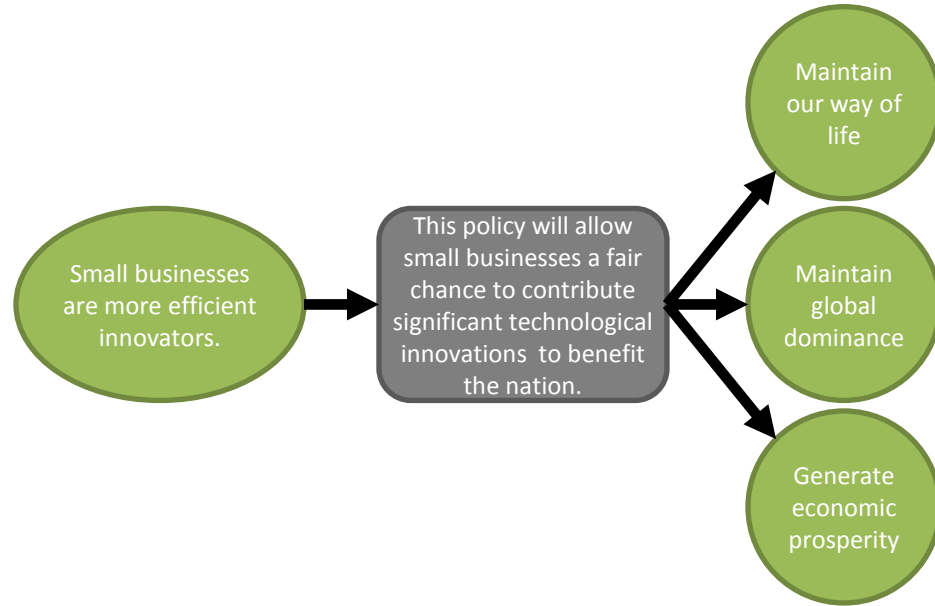- America's research excellence will be eroded. → This policy will result in sub-par research and development. → Loss of global dominance

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Policy and Political Implications Flow Diagram (Cont'd)

Proponents

Opponents

Proponents:

Small businesses are more efficient innovators. → This policy will allow small businesses a fair chance to contribute significant technological innovations to benefit the nation. →
- Maintain our way of life
- Maintain global dominance
- Generate economic prosperity

Opponents:

Talented researchers with innovative ideas are being denied opportunities. → Researchers at larger institutions are being punished simply because of where they work. →
- Erode what makes America superior
- Reduce innovation
- Loss of global dominance