

I am deeply critical of Schedule F since it would severely undermine the nonpartisan foundation of the civil service by making political loyalty a key factor in hiring and firing decisions. This shift would result in a federal workforce populated more by ideologues than by experienced experts, making the government less efficient since removal of long-serving professionals risks a significant loss of institutional expertise and memory. Additionally, the threat of politically motivated dismissals would reduce job security and morale among civil servants, discouraging qualified individuals from entering public service. Legal battles over its implementation and the disruptive process of reclassifying thousands of roles could further destabilize federal operations, while opening the door to potential abuses of power against employees who act in good faith to uphold legal and ethical standards. The 2024 Nobel Prize in economics was given to Daron Acemoglu Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, USA, Simon Johnson Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, USA and James A. Robinson University of Chicago, IL, USA. These fellows have shown that prosperous countries have stable governmental institutions that are not torn apart by political whims.