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#### **Manufacturing is increasing- wage competiveness is key**

#### Beckman 9/11/13**, (Kip Beckman is Principal Economist, World Outlook, at The Conference Board of Canada, “U.S. manufacturing is back – but can Americans do the job?” , [http://www.theglobeandmail.com/report-on-business/economy/economy-lab/us-manufacturing-is-back-but-can-americans-do-the-job/article14230183/],//ghs-RJ)**

Made in the U.S.A. is … of a dramatic turnaround.

#### B. Davis Bacon Act means companies pay workers prevailing wages – pushes up costs and causes unemployment

#### Baird 2k11

(Charles W. Baird, Professor of Economics, Emeritus, California State University, East Bay, “Freeing Labor Markets by Reforming Union Laws,” June 2k11, Cato Institute, pg online @ <http://www.downsizinggovernment.org/labor/reforming-labor-union-laws> //ghs-mr)

This **Davis-Bacon Act**, passed … from open competition.

#### Kills competitiveness

#### Griswold 2k10

(Daniel Griswold, Director of the Center for Trade Policy Studies at the Cato Institute and author of Mad about Trade: Why Main Street America Should Embrace Globalization (Washington: Cato Institute, 2009), “Unions, Protectionism, and U.S. Competitiveness,” Cato Journal, Vol. 30, No. 1, Winter 2010, pg online @ <http://www.cato.org/pubs/journal/cj30n1/cj30n1-10.pdf> //ghs-mr)

While globalization has … caused by the union.”

#### Economic competitiveness decline causes extinction

#### Khalilzad 2k11

(Zalmay Khalilzad, Zalmay Khalilzad was the United States ambassador to Afghanistan, Iraq, and the United Nations during the presidency of George W. Bush and the director of policy planning at the Defense Department from 1990 to 1992, “The Economy and National Security,” 2/8/2k11, pg online @ <http://www.nationalreview.com/articles/259024/economy-and-national-security-zalmay-khalilzad?pg=3> //ghs-mr)

Today, economic and fiscal .. our way through the kind of crisis that we face today.

# States

#### Text: The relevant 50 state governments, the territories, and Washington DC should form an interstate compact to substantially increase border infrastructure economic engagement towards Mexico.

#### States solve border infrastructure better – state governments have forged relationships with Mexican officials

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http://www.lib.utexas.edu/etd/d/2003/blasejm039/blasejm039.pdf

In both the U.S. … relations at that time.