

Regulation Analysis Worksheet

Analyze specific {{STATE_NAME}} regulations in detail - Activity 3 (10 minutes)

Select One Regulation to Analyze

{{STATE_NAME}} Occupational Licensing

{{STATE_NAME}} Environmental Regulations

{{STATE_NAME}} Rent Control (if applicable)

{{STATE_NAME}} Certificate of Need Laws

{{STATE_NAME}} Zoning and Land Use

Your selected regulation (be specific):

e.g., Cosmetology licensing, vehicle emissions testing, etc.

Analysis Template

1. What does the regulation require?

Describe the specific requirements, fees,

2. What problem was it intended to solve?

What issue or concern led to this

3. Does it solve that problem?

Yes Partially No

Evidence:

What evidence supports your answer?

4. What are the costs?

To consumers:

Higher prices? Limited choices? Reduced quality?

To businesses:

Compliance costs? Barriers to entry? Competitive disadvantage?

To society:

Deadweight loss? Inefficiency? Unintended consequences?

5. Who benefits?

Which groups gain from this regulation?

6. Who's harmed?

Which groups are negatively affected?

7. Your verdict

Keep as-is

Benefits clearly exceed costs

Reform

Good intent but needs improvement

Repeal

Costs exceed benefits, eliminate

If reforming, what changes would you make?

Describe specific reforms...

Evidence supporting your position:

What facts, data, or reasoning support your verdict?

Example: Cosmetology Licensing in {{STATE_NAME}}

- **Requirements:** 1,500 hours of training (9-12 months), licensing exam, fees: \$5,000-15,000
- **Problem it solves:** Ensure stylists know sanitation and safety, protect consumers from harm
- **Does it solve it?** Partially - Basic safety could be taught in 100 hours; 1,500 hours is more than EMT training (150 hrs)
- **Costs:** Higher prices for consumers; barrier to entry for aspiring stylists, especially low-income
- **Who benefits most?** Existing licensed stylists (reduced competition)
- **Verdict:** Reform - Reduce hours to reasonable safety standard (300 hrs?), eliminate unnecessary requirements