

## PHI 334 : Political Commerce Discussion | Nov 15

As always, after we finish out a section, I like to do discussions. So, to begin with, we covered three types of political interference in commerce:

1. **Cahoots Type:** When the State and some company or a collection thereof make a symbiotic arrangement that meddles in a market by arbitrarily conferring advantage to some and not others.
2. **Overseas Type:** When some company uses the State, particularly the military, to interfere in some foreign country as a means of executing an agenda that benefits it financially.
3. **Domestic Type:** When the State uses force to interfere in some domestic market for a purpose that benefits it alone, and hence distinct from (1), often related to regulations.

The task for today is to review how these complicate your ability to live a good life and what can be done about it.