

Dr. Burgess Weekly Video Address Aug 14, 2015
“REINS Act”

Hello, this is your Congressman, Michael Burgess. In July, before the current district work period, I voted in favor of the “Regulations from the Executive in Need of Scrutiny” Act – or REINS Act for short.

The Executive Branch has gone far beyond its delineated authorities, and this bill reaffirms Congress’ constitutional oversight of checks and balances.

Since 2009, the Obama administration has finalized 492 ‘major’ rules – many with costly moving-target directives. Because of some of these rules, business owners have even had to hire outside experts to navigate stacks of paperwork and red-tape.

These rules and regulations have held back innovation, job growth, and competition in the free-market. And it’s time that Congress put a stop to this administration’s assault on American industry and entrepreneurs.

The REINS Act demands that the executive’s “major” rules, which have at least \$100 million economic impact, be approved by Congress before taking effect.

It is a critical step to improving implementation of rules, overseeing previously unbridled executive rule makers, and bringing American people the accountability they deserve.

As always, I welcome your questions and comments on this issue. Thank you for taking the time to listen. May God bless you and your family, and as always, may God bless Texas.