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## Public Interest, Securities Regulators, Seniors, and Unions All Oppose JOBS Act's Attack on Investor Protections.

JOBS Act supporters have tried to sell this as a non-controversial bill that will promote economic growth. Nothing could be further from the truth. That's why a growing list of individuals and organizations have come out in opposition to the JOBS Act's attack on investor protections. For links to letters, testimony and articles raising concerns about the bill, <u>click here</u>.

The following are among the organizations and individuals that have raised concerns about anti-investor provisions in the House JOBS Act and companion Senate bills:

Current and Former Securities Regulators

North American Securities Administrators Association (letter available here)

Former SEC Chairman Arthur Levitt (quoted here)

Former SEC Chief Accountant Lynn Turner (Senate testimony available here)

SEC Chairman Mary Schapiro (letter available here)

SEC Commissioner Luis Aguilar (statement available here)

Consumer and Investor Advocates

AARP (letter of opposition here)

Americans for Financial Reform (letters of opposition available <u>here</u> and <u>here</u>, joint letter with Consumer Federation of America supporting the Reed-Landrieu-Levin amendment available <u>here</u>)

California Public Employees' Retirement System (letter available here)

California State Teachers' Retirement System (letter available here)

Coalition for Sensible Safeguards (letter available here)

Consumer Federation of America (statement for Senate hearing available <u>here</u>, letter of opposition available <u>here</u>, statement on House passage available <u>here</u>)

Council of Institutional Investors (letter of concern available here)

Fund Democracy (letter available here)

The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights (letter available here)

U.S. PIRG (letter available here)

30 public interest groups also signed on to a group letter supporting pro-investor changes, and opposing the underlying bill if these changes are not made (letter available <u>here</u>)

They include: AFL-CIO Alliance for a Just Society American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Americans for Financial Reform Arizona Consumers Council Buffalo Teachers Federation, Inc. **Business for Shared Prosperity** Chicago Consumers Union Citizen Action New York **Consumer Federation of America** Consumers for Auto Reliability and Safety **Consumers Union** Demos Fund for Constitutional Government Jubilee USA The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights Main Street Alliance Massachusetts Consumers' Coalition NASCAT (National Association of Shareholder and Consumer Attorneys) National Association of Consumer Advocates National Consumers League Public Citizen SAFER: The Economists' Committee for Stable, Accountable, Fair, and Efficient Financial Reform

South Carolina Small Business Chamber of Commerce Sustainable Business Council Tax Justice Network USA United Food and Commercial Workers US SIF: The Forum for Sustainable and Responsible Investment USAction Working Families Party

21 consumer, community and labor groups signed on to a group opposition letter available here.

## Unions

AFL-CIO (letter of opposition available here and statement of the Executive Council here)

AFSCME (signed on to group letters)

National Education Association (signed on to group letter of opposition)

United Food and Commercial Workers (signed onto group letter)

## **Academics**

Columbia Law School Professor John Coffee (Senate testimony available here)

Harvard Professor of Business and Law John Coates (Senate testimony available here)

University of Florida Finance Professor Jay Ritter (Senate testimony available here)

SAFER: The Economists' Committee for Stable, Accountable, Fair, and Efficient Financial Reform (signed on to group letter)

## Business Community

Business for Shared Prosperity (signed onto group letter) Main Street Alliance (letter available <u>here</u>, also signed onto the group letters) Motley Fool Mutual Fund Manager Bill Mann (commentary available <u>here</u>) Renaissance Capital's Kathleen Shelton Smith (Senate testimony available <u>here</u>) Sustainable Business Council (signed onto group letter)