



Licensing Protection for Workers

THE PROBLEM: WORKERS CAN'T WORK WITHOUT A LICENSE

Over 1,000 occupations require a license to work. But states can remove workers' occupational licenses if they fall behind in paying their student loans.

When these licenses are removed or suspended, it can lead to further loan debt, job loss, subsequent renewal fees, and government dependency.



Louisiana has blocked license renewal for more than **700 nurses**.



Tennessee reports that 4,200 workers have had their **medical licenses** revoked since 2009.



Texas has suspended the licenses of at least **500 nurses and 250 teachers**.

THE SOLUTION: LICENSING PROTECTION



Remove barriers to work by preventing states from suspending, revoking, or denying state professional licenses because borrowers are behind on their student loan payments.



Protect hardworking Americans by allowing workers to continue working to pay off their student loan debt.



Reduce dependency by keeping people working in their current jobs, keeping them out of dependency and off welfare.



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IT WOULD HELP: HARDWORKING AMERICANS KEEP THEIR JOBS



Roderick Scott Sr.
Teacher

Weeks after submitting paperwork for his teaching license, Texas middle school teacher Roderick Scott Sr. learned that his renewal was not processed because he had defaulted on his loan payments. Although he immediately paid the loan collector, the time spent sorting out the renewal had its consequences. His students were moved to a different teacher and he was forced to prioritize his student loan payments over rent payments. He eventually was evicted and forced to file bankruptcy.

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