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Dear Madam,

The proposed rule change for shareholder proxy access disturbs me. This seems like an attempt, by special interest groups and government, to infiltrate our free enterprise system and to control and mandate how businesses are run. Incorporating this rule change will not only affect the publicly-traded companies it is targeting, but also their customers and, by implication, most individuals in America in some way, shape or form. Those with 401k plans and other retirement funds will be harmed as return-on-investment shrivels. Small business will be affected by the instability that will inevitably follow, should an outside group, unfamiliar with the day-to-day operations of a corporation, take effective control of the company. This could manifest as poor customer service and/or higher costs passed on to the small entities that rely on relationships with larger businesses.

My wife, Helen, and I are owners of a small real estate investment company. We are the only two employees and we have no plans to expand. After the economic downturn last year, we are finally beginning to see our business stabilize. We have survived the ups and downs of a tumultuous economy and do not want to see decisions that will once again damage it. This change could affect us through the costs of supplies all the way to damaging our real estate market again, which is just now beginning to show a slight turnaround. People do not buy or invest when businesses are involved in turmoil, or when instability takes over our corporations and economy, as we have seen in the past few years. We are tired of watching decisions by the Federal Government and other agencies infect every aspect of business, tainting the free enterprise system. This simply opens the doors to control for personal or political aims by entities unfamiliar with the intricacies of profitably running a corporation or business.

There will be few businesses, large or small, that will support the proposed rule change for shareholder proxy access. There will be many reasons for this, including mine. I am simply against outsiders with token investments forcing themselves into control of our businesses and dread hearing about the power struggles that will ensue. This will harm our economy and affect many small businesses that provide services to the public as much as it harms publicly traded companies. I ask that you think of those who will be impacted the most and stop these changes from taking place.

Sincerely,



Peter Evans