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NOTICE OF HEARING
July 16, 2014
1:00 P.M. 2360 Rayburn House Office Building

TO: **Members, Committee on Small Business**

FROM: **Sam Graves, Chairman**

DATE: **Wednesday, July 9, 2014**

The Committee on Small Business will meet for a hearing titled, *Barriers to Entrepreneurship: Examining the Anti-Trust Implications of Occupational Licensing.* The hearing is scheduled to begin at **1:00 P.M. on July 16, 2014, in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building**.

In the United States, over the last 60 years the number of occupations subject to state and local licensure laws has expanded greatly. This hearing will examine whether the public safety benefits and assurances of competency provided by state licensure requirements outweigh the costs borne by society due to less competition, innovation and job creation. Specifically, this hearing will focus on the role that the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) plays in combatting the rise in occupational licensure through enforcement of federal anti-trust laws.

A staff briefing will be held on Monday, July 14, 2014, at 2:00 P.M. in Room 2360 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

If you or your staff has any questions, please contact Corey Cooke, Counsel for the Committee, at 202-225-5821.