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General Comment

The Fiduciary Rule Is Necessary and Overdue

There has been resistance to the proposed Fiduciary Rule since the Obama Administration proposed it back in 2015. Those it seeks to regulate are crying foul, but it is simply good policy that allows government protections of the way we save for retirement. We need to implement it as soon as possible so the Department of Labor can have the tools it needs to protect the small investor.

Saving for retirement is personal, and common-sense standards from DCs Department of Labor will encourage the equitable fulfillment of the millions of differing needs and circumstances from individual savers and employers offering benefits.

Need we say more? Here are 7 specific reasons the DOL must implement the rule quickly and as is:

- 1 The proposal will result in less self-serving advice and fewer ripoffs for American savers especially small businesses and their employees.
- 2 The rule restricts investment education to what is true.
- 3 Investors are required to sign a contract before an advisor can even talk to them, so that both sides are protected.
- 4 The rule incentivizes complete disclosures that are free of conflicts of interest.
- 5 The rule imposes significant legal risk to insiders that helps keep things fair to their customers.
- 6 The rule creates back door bans on certain types of investments for plans and IRAs, insuring that small investors will not be suckered into exploitative deals.
- 7 The Department of Labor is making it awfully difficult for advisors to profit from advice against the best interest of the investor.