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The PRO Act's ABC Test Threatens the Financial Stability of Independent Contractors
Fight for Freelancers launches third video in its Right vs. Wrong series

WASHINGTON, D.C., APRIL 21, 2021 – Fight For Freelancers USA, a nonpartisan, grassroots, self-funded group of independent contractors, creatives and businesses, launched the third video in its Right vs. Wrong series urging lawmakers to reject the PRO Act's ABC Test and protect the millions of Americans who earn a living as independent contractors.

The PRO Act would introduce the ABC Test into federal law for the first time. Created in the 1930s, this ABC Test contains oversimplified criteria to determine whether someone is an employee or an independent contractor. When the test was enacted in California in 2020, its primary result was independent contractors losing income and careers. California lawmakers have had to exempt more than 100 professions so far because the ABC Test is so unworkable in the modern economy.

President Biden campaigned on a pledge to make this ABC Test the basis for all labor, employment and tax law, following the model that continues to cause so much chaos in California. The PRO Act is step one in fulfilling that campaign pledge, by adding the ABC Test into labor law through the National Labor Relations Act.

"Proponents of the PRO Act say that the bill's ABC Test only allows currently exempted independent contractors to unionize," says Fight for Freelancers co-founder and freelance writer Debbie Abrams Kaplan of New Jersey. "But once the ABC Test seeps into one federal law, it will be easier for lawmakers to use it for other purposes, threatening the livelihoods of millions of independent contractors across the country. President Biden already laid out that plan."

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“The PRO Act ushers the ABC Test into federal law where it’s never been before,” says Fight For Freelancers co-founder and freelance writer Jen Singer of New Jersey. “There are other, more reasonable classification tests that better suit a modern workforce. Lawmakers should reject the PRO Act with the ABC Test in it.”

The Fight For Freelancers video series calls on lawmakers to learn from the mistakes made in California and vote no on the PRO Act unless the ABC Test is removed.

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