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Statement on Senate Bill 296

As a pro-business conservative, ensuring our strong economy is not stifled by overreaching and unnecessary government regulations is a top priority. SB 296 eliminates one such barrier by preventing state agencies from denying or revoking occupational licenses from individuals who have defaulted on student loans.

Without a license, these individuals are unable to work in their chosen profession, which can further hinder their ability to pay off existing debt. While students should be responsible for paying off their loans, taking away someone's ability to earn a living as a means to collect a debt is both counterintuitive and self-defeating.

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