For-Profit Education Groups Sue to Block Gainful Employment Rules



Inside Higher Ed reports that the for-profit education sector's primary trade group on Thursday filed suit in federal court to block gainful employment regulations, which the U.S. Department of Education unveiled last week.

On its website, Insidee Higher Ed said that a federal judge in 2012 halted a previous attempt by the Obama administration to enact rules for vocational programs at for-profits, community colleges and other institutions. While the judge found that the department was within its rights with the overarching thrust of the regulations, the judge also said the department failed to establish its reasoning behind one of the metrics.

The Association of Private Sector Colleges and Universities filed the suit, alleging that gainful employment "repeats and exacerbates" problems that led to its previous version being held up in court, calling the rules arbitrary.

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