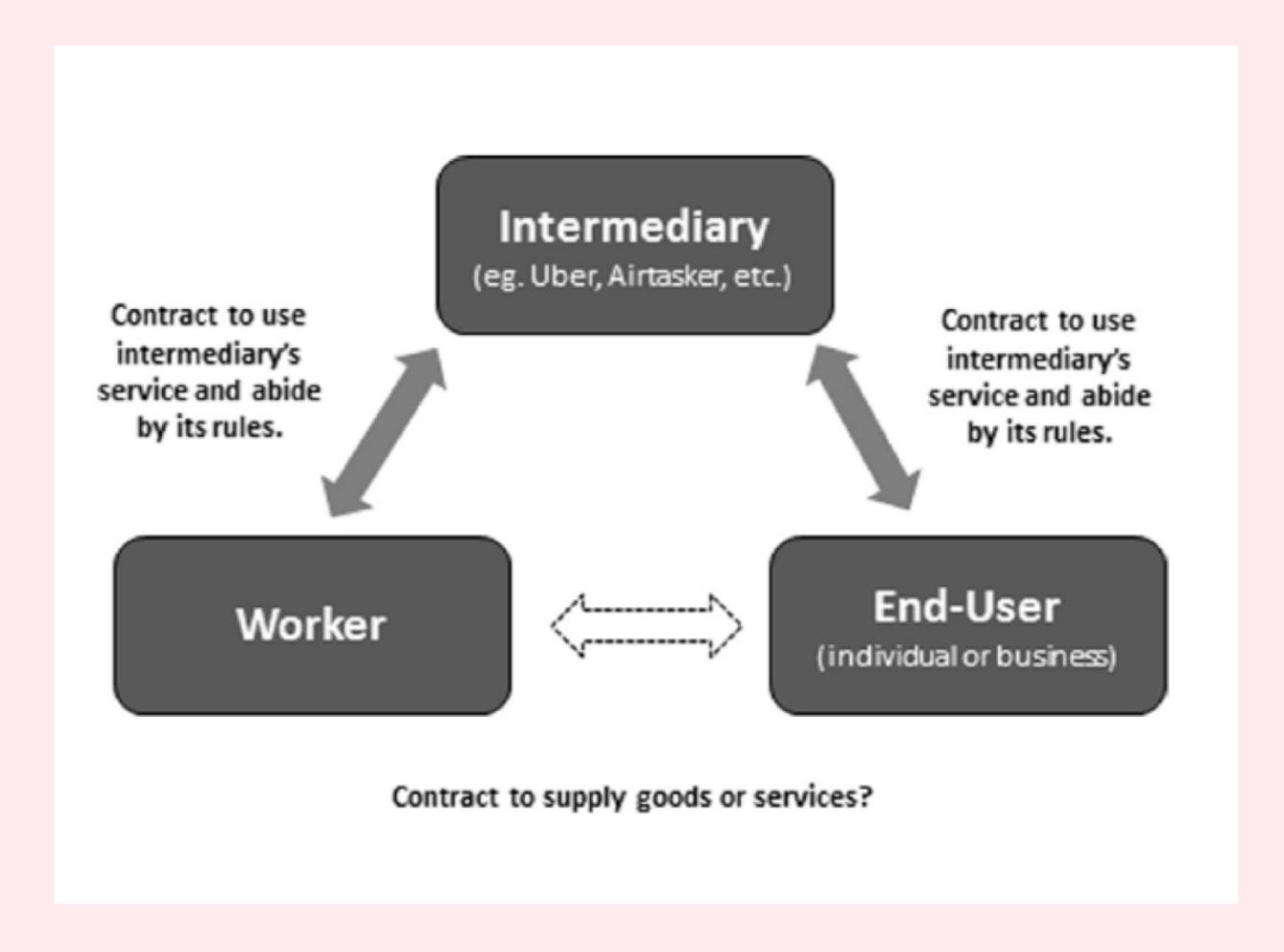
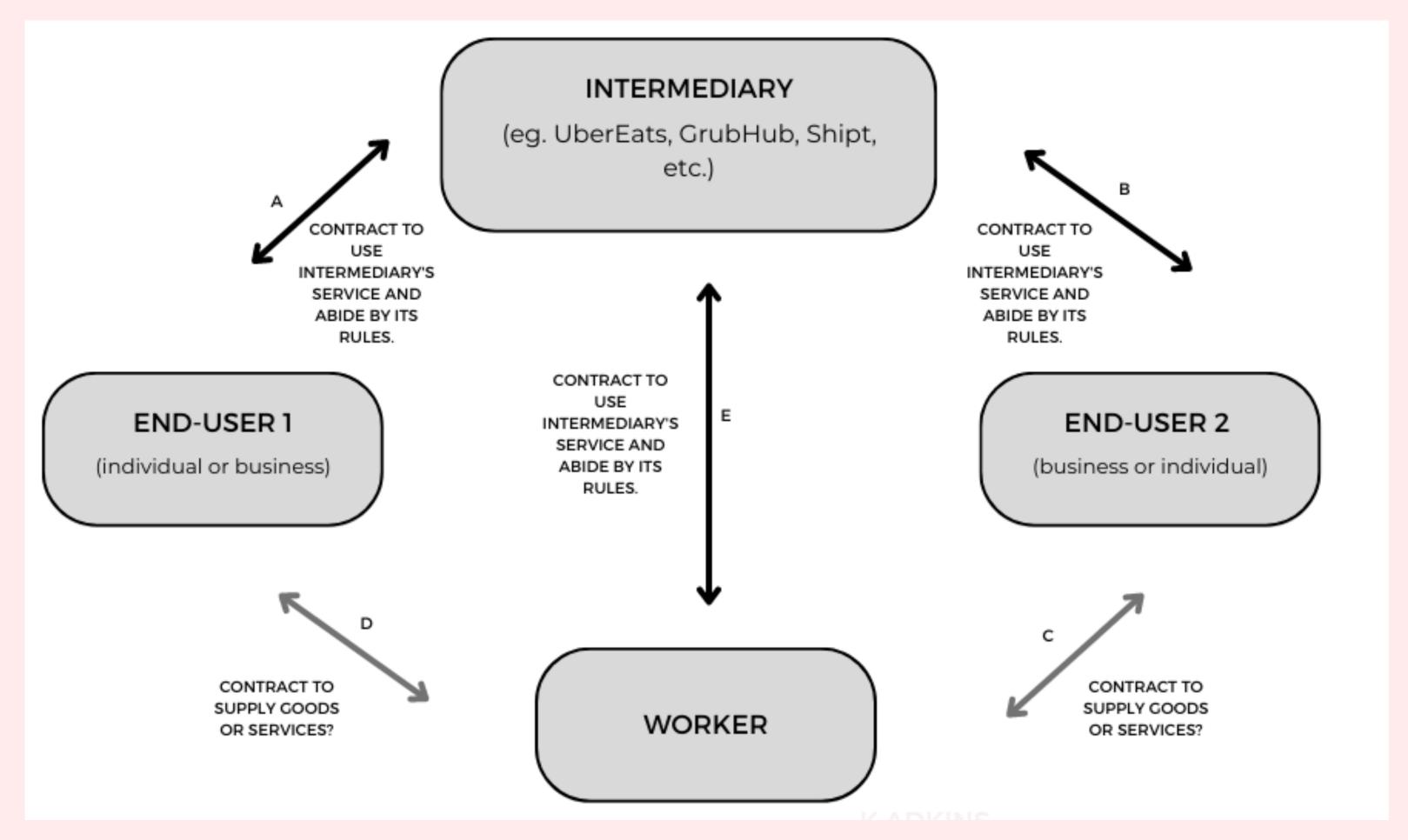
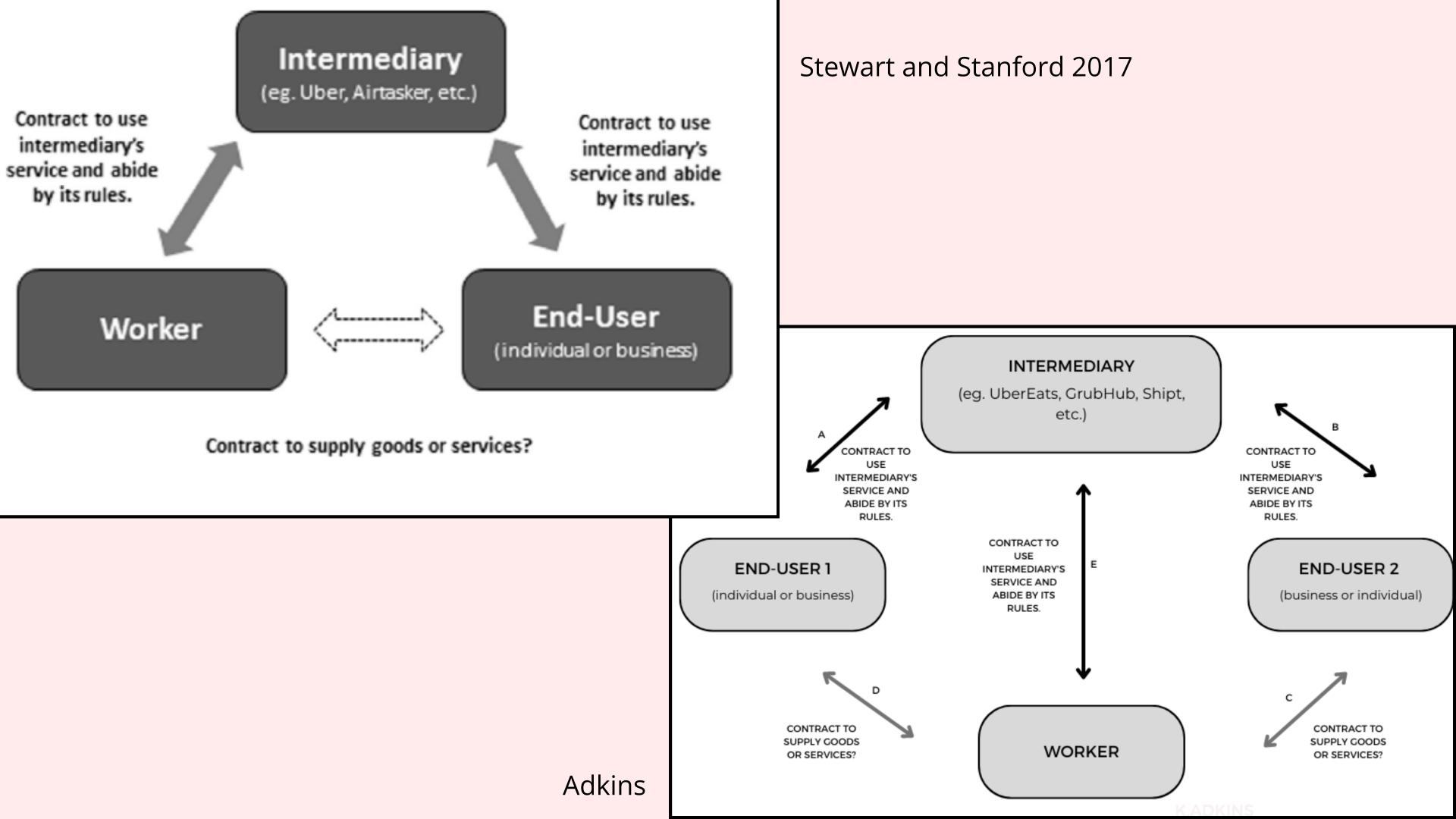
# Gold Rush: Regulating Food Delivery in the United States

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### PROBLEM 1

The Gig/Platform Economy literature is underdeveloped in the US

### PROBLEM 2

The regulation literature often focuses on a singular actor or action at a time

### PROBLEM 3

The narrowness of many policy arenas makes generalization difficult

# Solution

Comparative study of FDF regulation across the United States

# General Objectives

 Explore TPDP [Third Party Delivery Platforms] /FDF [Food Delivery Facilitator] regulation

Establish whether there is variety in content of TPDP/FDF statutes

# Theoretical Framework

What can explain the variation in regulatory content?

### Diffusion

Learning Imitation

## Regulation

Institutional arrangements Resources

# Hypotheses

#### General Objective

- Explore TPDP/FDF regulation
- Establish whether there is variety in content of TPDP/FDF statutes

#### Hypothesis 1

As more states
begin regulating
TPDPs, the
likelihood that a
state will begin
regulating TPDPs
increases

#### Hypothesis 2

As legislative capacity increases, stringency of statutory regulation increases



Data and Coding

#### **Map of Regulation across States**

#### DATA

Legislative Websites, NCSL, KFF, Platform Websites, Ballotpedia

#### LANGUAGE

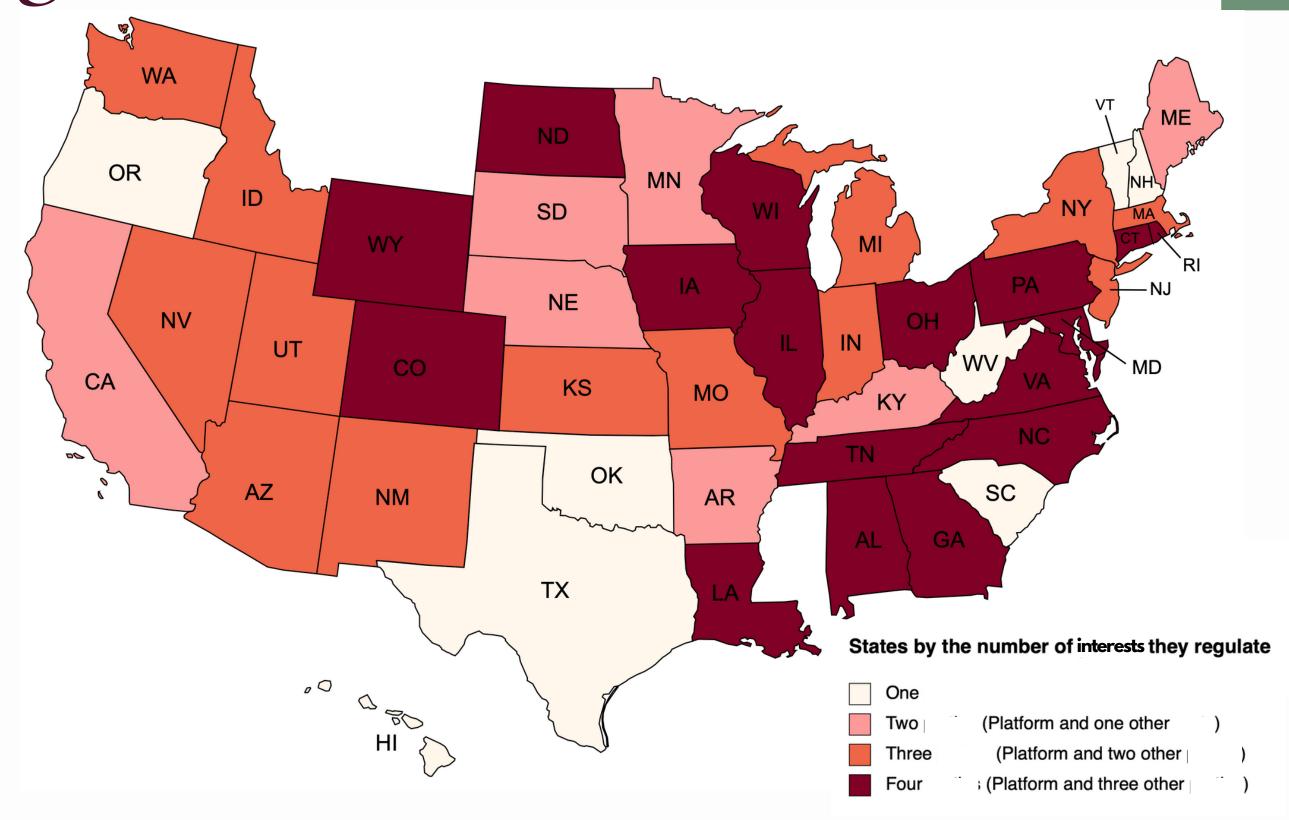
What behaviors are being constrained and to what extent?

#### TIME

Are there explicit references to time in the requirements?

#### AREA

Which segment of TPDPs (Platform, Seller, Worker, Consumer, Department) is being regulated?



# Methodology

Diffusion
Party and Geography

Event History Analysis (EHA)

Regulation

Capacity and Stringency

Ordinary Least Squares regression (OLS)

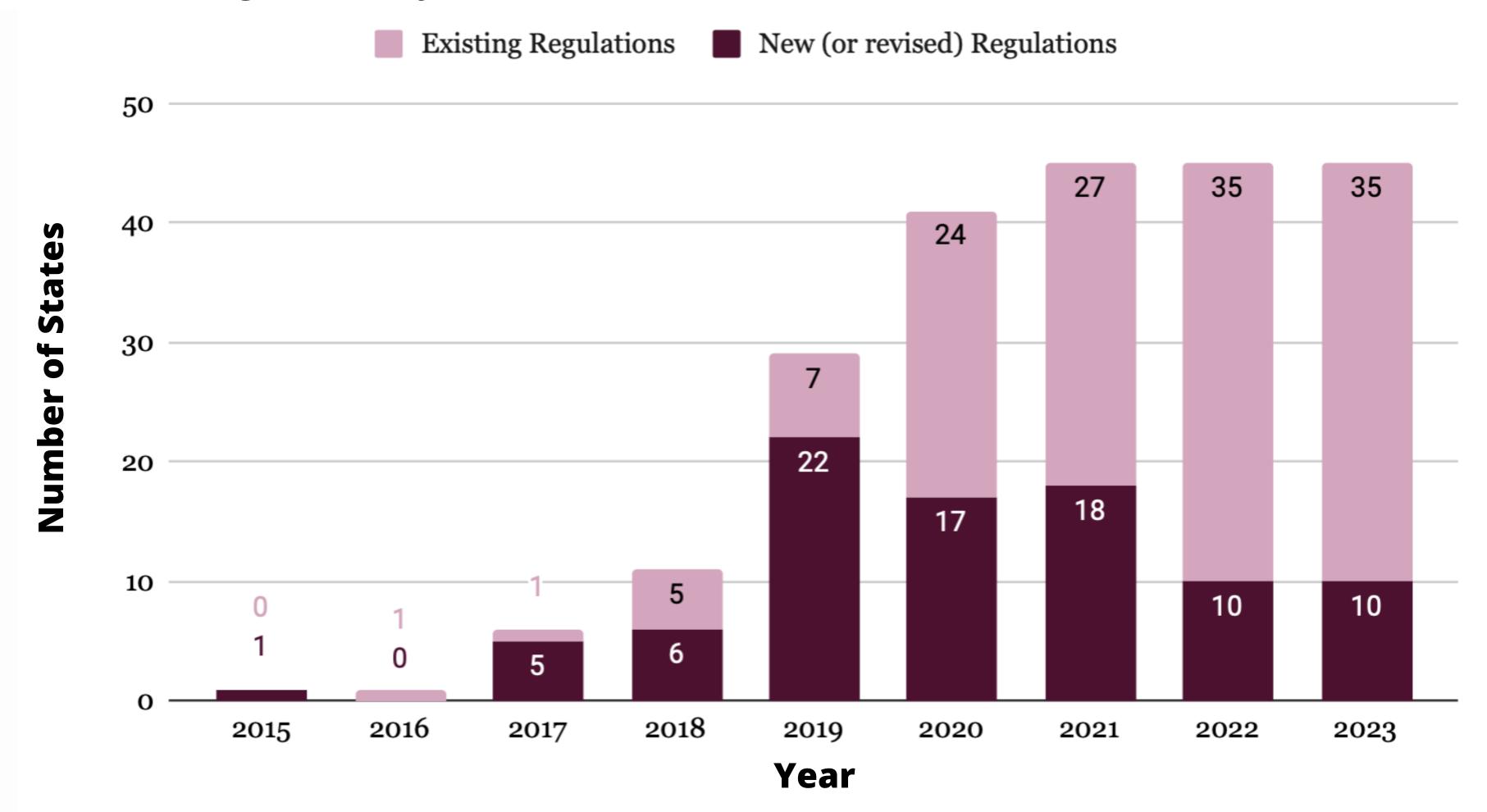
## Results

Variation in TPDP Regulation

Support for Hypothesis 1 (Diffusion)

Weak support for Hypothesis 2 (Regulation)

#### **States with Regulation (by Year)**



# Factors of Regulation

**Platform** 

Region

Referendum

Worker

Region

Urbanization

Department

Region

Staff Size

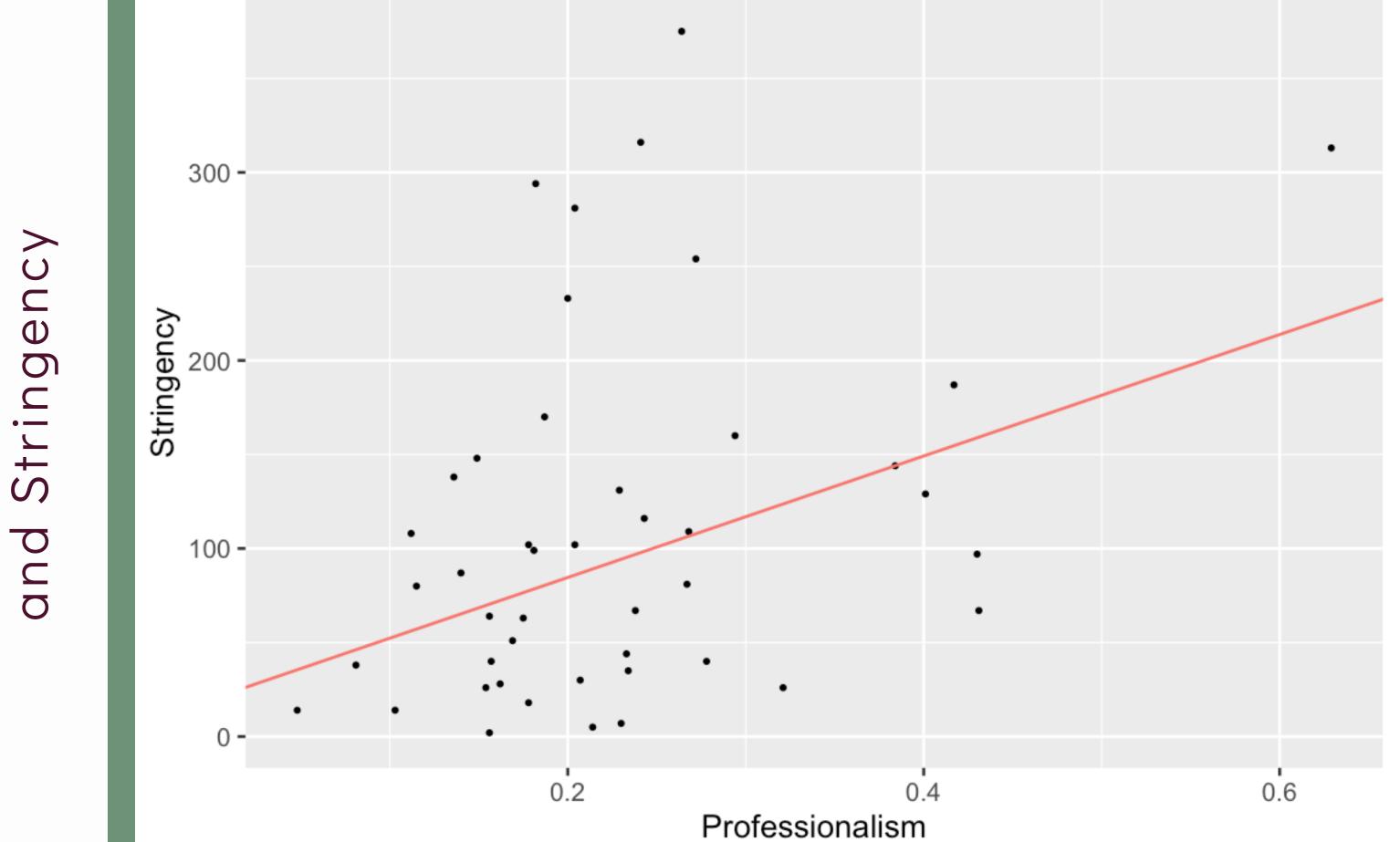
Seller

Region

Staff Size

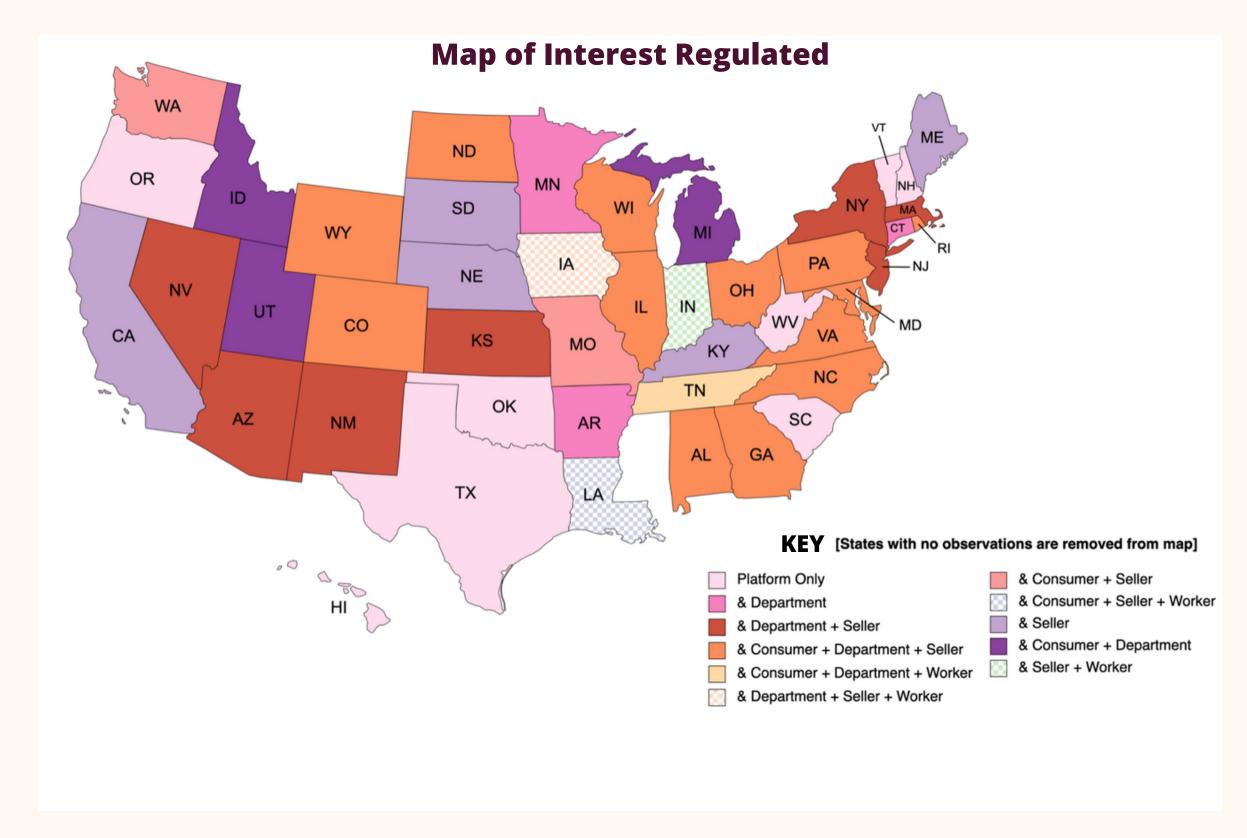
EHA RESULTS | DIFFUSION ANALYSIS

Graph: Professionalism



# No Evidence

- 1. Stringency and (...)
- 2. Partisanship
- 3. Base Salary



### RECAP

What do we now know about the variety of TPDP/FDF regulation?

1) It exists

2) Stringency is not explained by resources

3) Regional patterns of diffusion

# Thank you

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