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CAFE Standards: Are federal regulations helping or hindering fuel efficiency improvements?

The United States tries to boost fuel efficiency in cars with regulations called the Corporate Average Fuel Economy standards. They require automakers to meet certain mpg benchmarks for their fleets. While the standards influence the types and prices of cars automakers produce, they don't always align with consumer preferences, which can be influenced by other factors, such as gas prices. This limits the effectiveness of CAFE standards.

These regulations will be the focus of a presentation by **Chris Douglas**, an economics professor at the University of Michigan-Flint. Dr. Douglas has studied both the benefits and the costs of CAFE standards and will make the case for alternative policies that would do a better job of meeting the goals of these standards, while taking into account consumer preferences and lightening the regulatory burden placed on automakers.

WHEN

Wednesday
April 29, 2020
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

WHERE

The Townsend Hotel
100 Townsend Street
Birmingham, MI 48009

SCHEDULE

11:30 a.m. Registration and lunch
Noon - 1:00 p.m. Program

Event is free, but RSVP is necessary: Registration is required by April 22. Please register online at mackinac.org/events, email events@mackinac.org or call 989-698-1905.