Replication

This folder contains all the files and codes to replicate the tables and figures of the paper (both the main text and the appendix).

Dta files are in Stata 14 format and can be found in the folder "data".

1. *main_db.dta* contains state level variables used in the paper
2. *CZ_main.dta* contains CZ level variables used in the paper, except those concerning the panel analysis which can be found in *CZ_panel.dta*
3. Other files: top1_us.dta and *delta_lag.dta* are simple files that are used to draw Figures 1 and C1 respectively.

Figures are saved in eps format in the folder "graphs".

The folder "programs" contains one user-written program that we use to draw descriptive statistics tables.

Folder "do files" contains 3 do files:

1. *replication_regression.do* replicates all the regression of the main text
2. *replication_figures_tables.do* replicates all the figures and tables that are not regressions of the main text
3. *replication online appendix C.do* replicates all the tables and figures of online appendix C

To replicate the Calibration, see folder "Replication Calibration" which contains a readme file. Note that this requires the use of Matlab software in addition to Stata.

Additional remarks

- If the structure of the "Supplementary" folder is kept unchanged, then simply running the do files will generate all the tables and figures of the paper. Otherwise, one need to adapt the first line to correctly set the data files paths.
- Synthetic cohort analysis presented in Figures 5 requires the use of the user written command "synth" which can be downloaded from stata's *ssc* (see the do files for more details).
- In the paper, we use data on earmarks. These data have been directly sent to us by the authors of the paper "Do Powerful Politicians Cause Corporate Downsizing?" (Lauren Cohen, Joshua Coval and Christopher Malloy, JPE 2011). These data are not available from download in the JPE website so we can not disclose them. In consequence, Figure 6a and Table 9 cannot be replicated directly. Please do get in touch if you want help in accessing these data.
- The same apply to data on entrepreneurs by states that have been sent to us directly by Jorge Guzman and Scott Stern "The state of American Entrepreneurship: New Estimates of the Quantity and Quality of Entrepreneurship for 15 US States, 1988-2014" NBER WP 22095.