Record Nr. UNINA9910822631303321 Autore Smith Andrew O. <1962-> Titolo Sand in the gears: how public policy has crippled American manufacturing / / Andrew O. Smith Pubbl/distr/stampa Washington, District of Columbia: ,: Potomac Books, , [2013] ©2013 1-61234-589-1 **ISBN** Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (550 p.) Disciplina 338.47670973 338.973 Soggetti Industrial policy - United States Industries - United States Labor policy - United States United States Social policy Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Includes bibliographical references (pages 279-286) and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Cover Page; Title Page; Copyright Page; Contents; List of Illustrations; Introduction: Prologue: Yankee Ingenuity: 1 Manufacturing: 2 Taxes: The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly; 3 Health Care, Heal Thyself; 4 Law Hurts: 5 The Cost of Justice: 6 Workers' Compensation: 7 The Regulatory Environment; 8 Unions; 9 A New Social Compact; 10 Making It Happen; 11 Conclusion; Acknowledgments; Notes; Selected Bibliography: Index: About the Author Sommario/riassunto American manufacturing has been on the decline for at least two generations. That fact is plain to any observer who travels through the Rust Belt of the Midwest, where the closing of steel plants and automobile factories has created ghost towns that dot the landscape. It is also clear from the dormant New England textile mills, whose owners surrendered their production first to cheaper mills in the Southeast before they, in turn, lost out to Asian labor. What caused this calamity,

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and what can be done about it?. Andrew O. Smith argues that we lost