

COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM

I -- Legal Immigration (permanent residents)

- + Currently about 1 Million/ year (4 Million applications)
- + Current priorities- family reunification, job skills related, humanitarian
- + Future - numbers ?, priorities ?, point system like Canada/Australia ??

II-- Legal Immigration (Guest Workers)

- + H2A (agricultural) and H2B (other)-Less than 100K H2B visas/year
- + Employers request visas (typically 1 year, renewable)
- + Cumbersome rules (advertise for natives required, pay/benefits, etc.)
- + Future- numbers ?, procedures ?

III--Border Security

- + Can we seal our borders from unauthorized entry ??
- + Visa Overstays
 - 54 Million visitors to the U.S. per year. Most OECD country citizens do not require a visa to enter the U.S.
 - 700,000 overstays/year, Only 2500 deported in 2015
 - Is enforcement practical ??
 - Suggestions ??

IV--E-Verify System

- + Central U.S. government data base for employers to check Soc. Sec. #s
- + 80 pages of regulations for employers to comply
- + Voluntary for employers
- + Should system be mandatory for all employers ?? Some ?? If so, which ones ?
- + Penalties for non-compliance ??
- + Phase-in period ??
- + Photo ID with finger print or retina scan required for all workers 18 or older ??

V--Current Unauthorized Immigrants

- +11-12 Million people
- + Deport all unauthorized immigrants ?
- + Path to legal residence ? Citizenship ??
- + If yes, who qualifies ??
 - DACA
 - DAPA
 - Lived in the U.S. 10 years ? 5 years ? 2 years ?
- + Who would not qualify ?
 - Convicted of a violent crime, drug dealers , gang members ??
 - Convicted of any crime, felony or misdemeanor including traffic violations, DWI, drug use, disorderly conduct, etc. ??

VI -- Comprehensive Immigration Reform Legislation

- + Deal with the issues as a package or piecemeal ??
- + Most likely opportunity ? Republicans, Democrats, Bi-partisan ??
- + What are the odds of any significant reform legislation ??