

NumbersUSA



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The Honorable Heath Shuler
512 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Shuler:

NumbersUSA's half-million grassroots activist voters are dedicated to removing the jobs magnet that is the biggest among many large causes of our illegal immigration nightmare. Your new bill is just what the nation needs.

I am most pleased to offer NumbersUSA's endorsement of your SAVE Act (Secure America with Verification and Enforcement).

The SAVE Act is the middle-ground answer to the illegal immigration issue. This not only will be the most effective solution, but it is what polls show most Americans want. When given the choice among (a) mass roundups and mass deportations, (b) mass legalizations, and (c) Attrition Through Enforcement & Self Deportation, the public chooses the middle-ground Attrition option which is what your bill offers.

We appreciate the many ways that the SAVE Act would increase our border security and help with interior enforcement.

Our greatest excitement is in the promise of finally protecting American workers, legal foreign workers and law-abiding businesses from the unfair competition of massive hiring of illegal workers throughout our economy. And by requiring every worker to be run through the E-Verify system within four years, the SAVE Act would greatly reduce the opportunities for national origin-based discrimination.

NumbersUSA has always maintained that very few businesses actually want to hire illegal aliens. And we believe that of the minority of businesses that do hire illegal aliens, most do so without knowing it or do so because they feel forced to do it to keep up with competitors who ARE hiring illegal aliens. Universal mandatory use of E-Verify will protect legitimate businesses, protect U.S. workers and remove the financial ability for most illegal workers to remain in the United States.

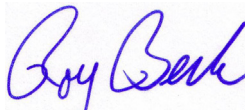
Under this bill, we can expect a peaceful self-deportation of hundreds of thousands of illegal aliens a year, immediately bringing relief to overburdened communities and improving wage prospects, particularly for the 23 million less-educated Americans who do not currently have a job.

The sight of so many of their countrymen returning home after failing to find or hold U.S. jobs, will be a significant deterrent to foreign nationals seeking to enter our country illegally or to overstay their visas.

The SAVE Act builds on the assets of the E-Verify system and strengthens it in several regards. Most importantly, it deals with the current inability of E-Verify to catch illegal workers who have stolen the identities of Americans or of legal foreign workers. But the SAVE Act has provisions that creatively will identify these cases of identity fraud and will eliminate the ability of most identity thieves to remain in a job for long.

One of NumbersUSA's chief missions is to end illegal immigration in order to have a society that is more economically just. Our half-million members are fairly evenly distributed through every Congressional district and every county in the country. All have a stake in resolving illegal immigration for a better quality of life in their own communities. Thank you for introducing the SAVE Act. We will work diligently to educate the nation and the Congress about the need for its passage.

Sincerely,



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