

Secure & Succeed Act Vote NO

The Secure and Succeed Act of 2018 is NOT a solution for DACA recipients and other immigrant youth who have been catapulted into chaos and uncertainty after Trump rescinded DACA in September of 2017. Instead, this bill is part of the nativist playbook that seeks to criminalize and marginalize immigrant communities.

Under the guise of "border security" the Secure and Succeed Act seeks to:

- Increase penalties for reentry prosecutions under the politicized name of "Kate's Law." This proposal fails to recognize that illegal reentry is already overprosecuted and harshly punished; does not take into account the reasons individuals return to the United States; and adds exponentially to the mass incarceration of people of color in the US.
- Expand the grounds of inadmissibility and removability without taking into account the already-existing magnitude of tools within immigration law that allow the government to deport individuals, including permanent residents. In fact, the overbroad proposals within this bill seek to give the government a license to racially profile and target immigrant communities, while flying in the face of our storied values of due process and fairness.
- Cut off avenues for children, youth and others fleeing violence and persecution to seek safety and humanitarian relief.

In addition, the Secure and Succeed Act targets avenues for women and families of color to immigrate to the U.S. by:

- Eliminating the diversity visa program which would have a disproportionate impact on immigration from African countries.
- Drastically curtailing the family immigration system which would have a disproportionate impact on women and Asian families.

Reject the Secure and Succeed Act, which fails to offer a real solution for Dreamers, and instead attempts to normalize the nativist immigration agenda espoused by Trump.

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