Dennis Delo Harrison LD 2167

To: Senator Nagle, Representative Stover, and other Distinguished Members of the State and Local Government Committee regarding LD 2167, I respectfully submit:

This proposed bill addressing "New Americans" is loaded with questions. Who are they? Is anyone checking their background, vetting them, their health, etc.?

Okay, I can't blame anyone for wanting to come here. What is the problem with doing it legally? I believe we are just encouraging these "asylum-seekers" to break our law by taking advantage of the system. This is a real slap in the face of those immigrants who took the time and effort to get here legally.

Regarding the workforce; we have able-bodied men and women right here apparently not working. Why? There appears to be jobs available everywhere.

I believe this bill will put a burden on hard-working taxpayers, that are trying to make their own lives better. Why don't we help them by limiting this quest to bring illegal aliens by the thousands into this state just because we believe we need them to help our economy.

One more thing: If they are breaking the law now, I wouldn't count on them to respect any laws here.

I wouldn't call them "New Americans" either. They are illegal immigrants breaking the law- maybe not intentionally. Are we looking for a way to attract them by looking the other way regarding the fact they are "illegal immigrants"?

I agree that something must be done. First, let's stop this madness by investigating what is going on: who, what, when, where, how and why this bill is being considered. What sounds good and charitable may be driven by false assumptions or just "do something" idea without any real thought to it. I don't see how this bill addresses any impacts on our economy, or any other considerations BEFORE it's the law- only, an after the fact report, etc.

I urge you to vote: OUGHT NOT TO PASS.

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