## **Summary of the Ryan-White House 2.0 Bill**

Talking points on the leaked "compromise" bill here.

The Freedom Caucus and House moderates have abandoned efforts to pass the Dream Act and instead plan to vote on a Frankenstein immigration bill that would provide only limited legal protection to DACA-eligible individuals and includes dangerous provisions that would put children in jail for months or even years. The bill does nothing to end family separations. Make no mistake; this Republican-only legislation is no moderate "compromise" bill.

The bill's Dreamer protections are worse than the White House framework and worse than the Senate Republican bill that failed with a vote of only 39 Senators. The bill would hold Dreamers ransom to border money. If DHS uses the border money for other purposes, the path to citizenship for Dreamers will be eliminated. In addition, Dreamers are at the mercy of an untested point system that creates a confusing, convoluted path to citizenship. Some Dreamers who don't have enough "points" would never get a path to citizenship.

**Funds \$23 Billion for the Border Wall and Military Technology.** This bill authorizes Congress to spend \$23.4 billion dollars for a physical border wall and military technology, including unmanned drones.

**Authorizes over 50,000 CBP Agents.** This bill requires CBP to maintain an active force of over 50,000 agents without any additional oversight mechanisms. Border Patrol agents <u>recently killed</u> 20-year-old Claudia Gómez Gónzalez, a Guatemalan women crossing the border by shooting her in the head with little accountability.

Makes it Easier to Deport More Children More Quickly. In 2000, Congress unanimously passed, and President Bush signed into law, the Trafficking Victims Protection Act, which ensures that children aren't returned to dangerous - and sometimes deadly - situations. This Republican bill would allow DHS to quickly deport children to some of the most dangerous countries on earth. In 2018, Honduras <u>ranked</u> first in the world for child homicides, El Salvador ranked third and Guatemala fourth.

**Keeps Children in Jail For Longer Periods of Time.** This bill allows the U.S. government to detain children and their families for months or even years in worse conditions with no standards to protect children.

Halves the Number of Asylum-Seekers and Makes it Easier to Send Families Back to Their Death. This bill makes it harder for asylum seekers to obtain freedom from persecution by increasing the standard of proof needed to apply for asylum. It's estimated the changes in the bill would halve the number of asylum seekers. By changing the law to facilitate the quick deportations of asylum seekers and make it harder to apply for asylum, parents and children who could articulate a genuine fear of persecution will be deported anyway without the chance to collect evidence or present witnesses before a judge.

**Eliminates the Diversity Visa Program.** This bill terminates the Diversity Visa program which ensured our immigration system provided a fair opportunity for immigrants from all countries to enter.

Prohibits U.S. Citizens from Reuniting with their Children and with their Siblings. This bill blocks American citizens from reuniting with their married adult children and siblings abroad. U.S. citizen family members who have been in line for over a decade would no longer be able to stay in line for a green card. Aren't Republicans always saying people should come legally and wait in line? This bill gets rid of two of the lines that families have been waiting in for 10-20 years.

**Potential Misclassification of Innocents as Gang Members.** This bill lets immigration officers label young people as gang members with little to no evidence, only a "reason to believe" the person is or was a gang member.

Mandated Compliance with ICE Detainers. This bill forces local governments to implement ICE detainers which have been found to create constitutional concerns, subjecting cities to potential civil lawsuit liability.