

BORDER SECURITY FOR AMERICA ACT

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Authorizes a Border Wall — Requires the deployment and construction of tactical infrastructure and technology to achieve full operational control and situational awareness. This deployment includes wall, fencing, technology, and other barriers.

Secure and Fast Ports of Entry — Authorizes necessary resource investments to improve and enhance our ports of entry. Targets illegal immigration and drug trafficking at our ports of entry, while increasing lawful trade and travel.

More Boots on the Ground — Adds 5,000 Border Patrol Agents and 5,000 CBP Officers and streamlines the way that veterans and existing local law enforcement officers can be hired.

More Air and Marine Flight Hours — Increases the number of annual flight hours of CBP's Air and Marine Operations and prioritizes requests for support from the Chief of the Border Patrol to secure the border.

Forward Operating Bases — Directs DHS to upgrade existing forward operating bases to a minimum standard.

Use of the National Guard — Authorizes use of the National Guard along the Southern Border to help with aviation and intelligence support and allows the reimbursement for states that call out the National Guard to help secure the border.

Targets Visa Overstays — Identify visa overstays through full deployment of the Biometric Entry-Exit System at all ports of entry.

Border Patrol Access to Federal Lands — Prohibits Federal agencies from impeding, prohibiting, or restricting CBP activities on federal land located within 100 miles of the Southern Border to execute search and rescue operations, and to prevent all unlawful entries into the United States.

Support Local Law Enforcement — Authorizes the Stonegarden grant program at \$110 million for state and local law enforcement to aggressively fight drug trafficking, smuggling, and other crimes on the Southern Border.