

HACU Government Relations Update





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Dream Act and Immigration reform

Status of Appropriations and Authorizations by agency—FY 2011

Other related bills- 111th Congress





- 1. Arrived in US before age 16
- 2. Residence in the US for at least 5 years.
- 3. Between ages of 12 and 35.
- 4. High school graduate or GED.
- 5. Good moral character.

The DREAM Act

- Act on the DREAM Coalition-25 organizations- www.actonthedream.org
- Capitol Hill-DownPayment and The White House-Strategy
- Likelihood of Passage- 39 cosponsors-1 republican
- Become Involved







AgJOBS-HR 2414 and S 1038

"earned adjustment" program allowing many undocumented farmworkers obtain temporary immigration status based on past work experience with the possibility of becoming permanent residents through continued agricultural work.

 Revises the existing agricultural guestworker program-"H-2A temporary foreign agricultural worker program."



Protection for Hispanic workers in the agriculture industry

 Wide and powerful support base – some argue more wide support than DREAM

Senator Feinstein's position

Comprehensive Immigration Reform

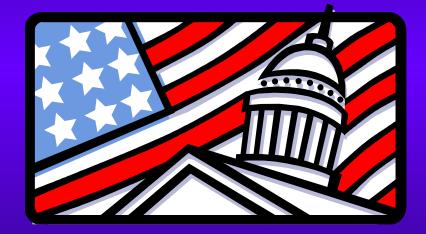
Arizona Law SB1070 Impact

 HR 4321- Comprehensive Immigration Reform for America's Security and Prosperity Act of 2009 (CIR ASAP of 2009)





Department of Education



Title V of the Higher Education Act

- Part A- This program helps eligible institutions of higher education (IHEs) enhance and expand their capacity to serve Hispanic and low-income students by providing funds to improve and strengthen the academic quality, institutional stability, management, and fiscal capabilities of eligible institutions.
- Part B- The Promoting Postbaccalaureate Opportunities for Hispanic Americans (PPOHA) Program provides grants to: (1) expand postbaccalaureate educational opportunities for, and improve the academic attainment of, Hispanic students; and (2) expand the postbaccalaureate academic offerings as well as enhance the program quality in the institutions of higher education that are educating the majority of Hispanic college students and helping large numbers of Hispanic and low-income students complete postsecondary degrees.

Appropriations Status

Labor-HHS-Ed

Strengthening Hispanic-Serving Institutions: Part A

FY 2010- \$117,429,000

- President Budget FY 2011- \$123 million
- FY 2011

House:

Senate: \$123.3 million

Promoting post baccalaureate opportunities for Hispanic Americans- Part B Mandatory funding Part B- \$11.5 million

- (Graduate) Discretionary FY 2010 \$10.5 million
- FY 2011 President Budget: \$10.5 million
- FY 2011
 House:
 Senate: \$10.5 million



SAFRA-STEM Funds for MSIs

- This section amends the higher Education Act by extending funding for programs under this section created under the College Cost Reduction Act for programs at historically black colleges and universities and other minority-serving institutions through 2019, including programs that help low-income students attain degrees in the fields of science, technology, engineering or mathematics by the following annual amounts:
- These funds are to develop and carryout activities to improve and expand the institution's capacity to serve Hispanic and other low-income students.
- \$100 million to Hispanic Serving Institutions including \$10 million for community partnerships,
- **\$85** million to Historically Black Colleges and Universities,
- \$15 million to Predominantly Black Institutions,
- \$30 million to Tribal Colleges and Universities,
- \$15 million to Alaska, Hawaiian Native Institutions, \$5 million to Asian American and Pacific Islander Institutions, and
- \$5 million to Native American nontribal serving institutions.

Elementary And Secondary Education Success HACU has submitted recommendations that

HACU has submitted recommendations that focus on:

Preparing Hispanic Youth for Higher Education and Career Success.

- Culturally and Linguistically prepared Teachers.
- Expanding counseling programs .
- Retraining Certified Teachers.
- Training School Principals.
- ➢ Teaching at HSSD's.





Agriculture Appropriation Requests FY 2011

- Request- A U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) appropriation for HSIs under Title VII of the Farm Bill totaling \$40 million.
- A request of \$80 million for the Endowment Fund for Hispanic-Serving Agricultural Colleges and Universities(HSACUs); (President's Budget: \$10 million)
- A request of \$20 million for Hispanic-Serving Agricultural Colleges and Universities (HSACU) Equity Grants Program;

Agriculture Appropriations HSIs Education Grants Program
FY 2010- \$9.237 million
Presidents FY 2011 Budget- \$9.237 million
FY 2011-

House:

Senate: \$9.237 million

HSACU Endowment Fund

FY 2010- \$0

- President's FY 2011 Budget: \$10 million
 FY 2011
- House:
- Senate: \$10 million

The Farm Bill

Hispanic Serving Agricultural Colleges and Universities (HSACUs)

- Creates a competitive grants program for Hispanic
 Serving Agricultural Colleges and Universities
 (HSACUs)
- USDA is currently working on the rule making process to determine which HSIs will be designated as HSACUs.

Housing and Urban Development



HUD MSI University Partnership

- The funds are to be used by these institutions to "revitalize neighborhoods, promote affordable housing and stimulate economic development in their communities."
- These programs are designed to address the unique needs of the communities served by MSIs.
- The HUD MSI-University Partnership Programs represents a set of powerful tools for these institutions to enhance our nation's competitiveness and promote social stability and cultural richness.

HUD Hispanic-Serving Institutions Assisting Communities (HSIAC) program FY 2011 Appropriations

≻ FY 2010- \$25 million

President's Budget- \$25 million

≻FY 2011

House- \$25 million Senate- \$25 million

The Committee denies the Department's request to consolidate the four separate university partnership programs into one unified \$25,000,000 University Community Fund. As in prior years, funding will be awarded to historically black colleges and universities, tribal colleges and universities, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Institutions, and Hispanic- serving institutions.

Department of Commerce and Related Agencies



Wireless Technology

Minority Serving Institutions Digital and Wireless Opportunity Program.—(Senate) Not later than 60 days after enactment of this act, the Secretary of Commerce shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of the House and the Senate a report describing the Department's plans to support and assist minority serving institutions [MSIs] in improving their instrumentation, connectivity, hardware and software for instructional and research purposes as contemplated by the amendments to the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980. The Committee also encourages the Secretary to work with MSIs national stakeholder organizations in developing such strategies.



National Science Foundation

America Competes Act Reauthorization-

- House: Language postponing the consolidation of the programs and expressing the Committee's support for a program for HSIs. This version was approved by the House in May 2010.
- Senate: Strong language opposing the consolidation of the HBCU and TCU programs but HSIs were not mentioned. Committee staff is working on including language expressing their support before Senate passage. However, the language from 2007 is law and the Committee still expects NSF to create the program.

Commerce, Justice and Science Appropriations Language-

House:

Senate: The Committee denies the NSF's request to merge initiatives to broaden participation by consolidating three existing programs. Any remaining funding available for Undergraduate/Graduate Student Support may be used for an integrated broadening participation of undergraduates in STEM that includes institutions eligible for these <u>three</u> <u>programs as well as institutions eligible under section 7033</u>

NOAA

 Educational Partnership Program for Minority Serving Institutions- \$14,400,000 for FY 2011

 The program aims to increase environmental and ocean literacy.



NASA Reauthorization



Congressman Luján was successful in getting one of HACU's recommendations approved by the Committee and included in the bill. The recommendation gives *special consideration to Minority Serving Institutions* for grants under the Education and Outreach section of the bill that was reported out of Committee on July 22, 2010.

The Senate version passed.







Energy

- HACU Request \$20 million for competitive grants program for HSIs
 Senate- \$0 – FY 2011
- House- no action yet- FY 2011
- S. 587-Western Hemisphere Energy Compact Bill and multiple larger bills



Homeland Security



Homeland Security

- HACU request- \$4 million for MSIs through the University Programs Office and \$2.5 million for the MSI Management Internship Program.
- President's Budget: \$40 million for University Programs
- House:\$50 million-MSIs included- \$3.8 million
- Senate: \$50 million for University
 Programs but MSIs are not mentioned

Veterans Affairs

Veterans Affairs

HACU requests \$20 million for FY 2011 from Congress for a competitive grant program for Hispanic Serving Institutions to provide academic and related support services to assist in reintegrating eligible veterans into higher education's institutions to begin or complete their studies.

- **Program Focus:** The competitive grants program will provide Minority Serving Institutions with resources to identify and assist in reintegrating eligible veterans into higher education institutions to complete their education and training.
- Grant recipients will utilize verified delivery systems to address social and academic problems facing eligible veterans who may wish to pursue a post secondary education. Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSIs) have the capacity and expertise to effectively utilize veteran targeted education funding for outreach, counseling and to structure educational activities for Hispanic veterans.



Legislative Watch



Workforce Investment Act

- HACU has drafted language to be introduced as an amendment to WIA. A Member of Congress has agreed to introduce HACU's draft bill which would create a competitive grant program for MSIs and non-profit organizations that focus on serving underrepresented minorities to prepare individuals with multiple barriers to employment, especially minorities, to enter the workforce by providing support services, job training, and education.
- Congress is not expected to work on WIA until 2011.
- HACU has produced a policy document on WIA which is available to you today.







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