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ARPAIO INVESTIGATION

VILMA TARAZONA / MIAMI, FLORIDA

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Hours after the release of a Justice Department report that said that Arizona Sheriff Joe Arpaio fueled a culture of anti-Latino bias in his office, the Department of Homeland Security said it was kicking him out of an immigration enforcement program. Secretary Janet Napolitano Thursday the department is ending an agreement with the Maricopa County sheriff's office that allowed trained deputies to enforce immigration laws. It's also restricting the office's use of the Secure Communities program, which uses fingerprints collected in local jails to identify undocumented immigrants.

ALABAMA IMMIGRATION LAW PROTEST

MARIA ANTONIETA COLLINS / MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

PKG 2:15

Immigrant rights advocates and civil rights leaders are gathering in Montgomery for a two-day event to call for repeal of Alabama's immigration law. The event includes a march Saturday from the Capitol to the Governor's Mansion.

CONGRESS SOCIAL SECURITY

VO :18

Senate leaders have agreed on compromise legislation to extend Social Security payroll tax cuts and jobless benefits for two months. The measure would also require President Barack Obama to accept Republican demands for a swift decision on the fate of a Canada-to-Texas oil pipeline that backers say will generate thousands of jobs. A vote is expected Saturday on the measure. Any deal would also require House passage before it could reach Obama's desk.

BEEF RECALL

VO : 19

A Nebraska meatpacker recalled more than 40,000 pounds of ground beef products distributed in 16 states after a test confirmed the presence of E. coli, the Agriculture Department said Friday. The products were shipped to institutions and distributors in Alabama, California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Tennessee, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

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CONGRESS TAX PAYROLL EXTENSION

VO: 17

The Republican-controlled House intends to wait until Tuesday to reject a Senate measure providing a two-month extension of Social Security payroll tax cuts due to expire on Dec. 31. GOP lawmakers say they want a year-long extension instead and are calling for formal negotiations with the Senate. The announcement came Monday evening after a lengthy, closed-door meeting of the House GOP rank and file. It's not clear what will

happen after the vote, since Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid has already said he won't open talks until the House approves the two-month measure. At issue are not only the tax cuts, but also a program of unemployment benefits for the long-term jobless, and money to avert a 27 percent cut in payment rates for doctors who treat Medicare patients.

IOWA ATTACKS HURT GINGRICH

VO: 21

More than \$1 million in negative advertising -- much of it bankrolled by Mitt Romney's allies -- has eroded Newt Gingrich's standing in Iowa and thrown the Republican presidential race here wide open two weeks before the first votes. The former House speaker's Iowa slide mirrors his newfound troubles nationally, and it has boosted Romney's confidence while fueling talk that libertarian-leaning Texas Rep. Ron Paul could pull off a win in the leadoff caucus state on Jan. 3.

LAST TROOPS OUT OF IRAQ COMING HOME

VO: 20

The u.s. completed its withdrawal from Iraq this weekend and the last troops to cross the border will soon be on their way home. Some troops who left the country earlier in the drawdown have already started arriving back here in the u.s

T-MOBILE / ATT MERGER

VO: 20

AT&T is no longer planning on taking over T-Mobile. It was a 39-billion dollar deal that in the end could not overcome government questions about competitiveness. AT&T's proposed merger with T-Mobile would have created the largest cellphone provider in the country and regulators

said consumers would have paid the price. AT&T said consumers would now be harmed because needed investment in wireless communications "will be stifled."

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OAKLAND ID APPROVED

EDGARDO QUIJANO - OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

PKG: 2:00

The Oakland City Council authorized drafting a contract Tuesday to put a debit-card function on the city's proposed municipal identification card. The debit-card function had proved to be a major hurdle to issuing the cards, which are designed primarily to give undocumented immigrants a way to prove their identity. City staffers declared that they didn't have the expertise to analyze the legal and banking aspects of administering a debit card, something only one city in the nation, much smaller than Oakland, is believed to have done. In addition, the staff had questions about whether the bank chosen to oversee the card had sufficient financial resources to

cover "fraud, theft, market downturns and other problems that could jeopardize cardholder funds."

HEALTH POLICE OFFICER SLEEP

VO: 20

Fifty-one percent of U.S. and Canadian police officers with a sleep disorder admit they were more likely to fall asleep while driving, researchers say. The study, published in the Journal of the American Medical Association, found 40 percent of a study of 4,957 police officers screened from July 2005 to December 2007 had at least one sleep disorder, such as insomnia. Of the police officers screened for a sleep disorder, 63 percent were more likely to violate safety protocols, 43 percent were more likely to make administrative errors and 22 percent were more likely to be injured on the job, compared with officers who sleep soundly, the study said.

WAL-MART INFANT FORMULA

VO: 20

Wal-Mart says it has pulled a batch of powdered infant formula from stores nationwide after a newborn Missouri boy became gravely ill with a suspected infection and died after being taken off life support. Wal-Mart spokeswoman Dianna Gee said Wednesday the move is cautionary as health officials investigate Sunday's death of 10-day-old Avery Cornett of Lebanon, Mo. No government recall has been ordered for the 12.5-ounce cans of Enfamil Newborn powder with the lot number ZP1J7G.

FT LAUDERDALE HOMELESS ONE WAY TICKET HOME

VO: 20

Using \$25,000 confiscated from criminals, Fort Lauderdale is offering to buy one-way bus tickets for homeless people whose families will care for

them at the other end of the trip, the South Florida Sun-Sentinel reports. "We're not pushing them out," Mayor Jack Seiler said. "If somebody has a network of support, a group of family and friends that will provide for them back home, that's probably a good place for them to be." Commissioners voted to create a Homeless Reunification Program through the police department's homeless-outreach unit, which had placed more than 7,000 people in shelters and housing through August. The city says 190 families with children who were living on the streets were still waiting for openings in early September.

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TAX CUTS - PKG: 2:00

VILMA TARAZONA, MIAMI, FL

The U.S. House of Representatives could vote as soon as Friday on a two-month payroll tax cut, a Republican leadership aide said. Passage of the bill would mark a major reversal by House Republicans who drew heavy fire from members of their own party and opposed an almost identical bill passed by the Senate last Saturday.

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SOUTH CAROLINA VOTER ID - VO: 20

South Carolina's attorney general says he will fight the Justice Department in federal court over South Carolina's voter ID law. The federal agency on Friday rejected the law, saying it makes it harder for minorities to vote. It was the first voter ID law to be refused by the Obama administration.

TAX BENEFITS SIGNED INTO LAW - VO: 20

President Barack Obama signed into law a two-month payroll tax cut extension on Friday, capping a year of fierce partisan combat over taxes and spending that will resume in January and play heavily in the 2012 elections. The Senate and the House of Representatives, by voice votes in chambers nearly emptied for the holidays, passed a \$33 billion bill to keep the payroll tax rate at 4.2 percent through February. It had been scheduled to increase

OCCUPY LA COSTS - VO: 20

A preliminary report released Friday by the city administrative officer estimates the nearly two-month Occupy LA encampment at City Hall cost the budget-strapped city at least \$2.3 million, but officials said the sum is expected to grow by the hundreds of thousands of dollars. City Administrative Officer Miguel A. Santana told The Associated Press his office requested the cost estimates from various city departments two weeks ago. The city attorney's office has already said it expects its previously submitted \$188,000 estimate to climb significantly.

BREAST IMPLANTS - PKG 2:00 - VILMA TARAZONA

France and Britain issued conflicting advice on Friday to tens of thousands of women with breast implants made of cheap industrial silicone that some fear pose health risks. The French government urged 30,000 women in France to seek removal of the implants, made by now-defunct French company Poly Implant Prothese (PIP), because of the danger they could rupture and cause inflammation and irritation. There was no evidence of any increased cancer risk, it said.

BABY FORMULA RETIRED - VO: 20

Several more national retailers have joined Wal-Mart Stores Inc. in pulling a batch of powdered infant formula from their shelves after a Missouri newborn who consumed it apparently died of a rare bacterial infection, the companies said Friday. Officials at Supervalu Inc., Walgreen Co., Kroger Co. and Safeway said they have removed 12.5-ounce cans of Enfamil Newborn with the lot number ZP1K7G from various stores across the country as a precaution until federal health officials complete tests on the formula.

IRAQ TROOPS COME BACK HOME - VO: 20

The thousands of soldiers coming home this month from Iraq should prepare for one more fight -- over their finances. Experts in the issues facing military families say the next few months will present money challenges to returning service members. More than 12,000 troops returned this month from Iraq as the war drew to a close.

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HOMES PRICES

VO: 22

U.S. home prices fell in most major cities for the second straight month, further evidence that the housing recovery will be bumpy and weigh on the broader economy in 2012. The Standard & Poor's/Case-Shiller index released Tuesday showed prices dropped in October from September in 19 of the 20 cities tracked. The decline reflects the typical fall slowdown after the peak buying season. Prices had risen modestly in April through August in at least half of the cities tracked. Still, home prices have fallen roughly 32 percent nationwide since the housing bubble burst five years ago and are back to 2003 levels, according to the index. Prices are even lower in hard-hit areas, such as Atlanta, Cleveland, Detroit, Phoenix and Las Vegas. Washington, New York, Los Angeles and San Diego have seen the smallest declines. Home values remain depressed despite some modest progress in the housing market. Residential construction is likely to add to U.S. economic growth in 2011, the first time that has happened in four years. That's mainly because apartments are being built almost twice as fast as two years ago -- reflecting a surge in renting and weaker

home sales.

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PEW HISPANIC CENTER LATINO VOTERS REPORT

NORMA RIBEIRO - MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG: 1:45

The Pew Hispanic Center, a project of the Pew Research Center, tomorrow will release a new report about Latinos' views of deportations, President

Obama, the nation's overall direction, immigration policy priorities and the upcoming 2012 presidential election. The report is based on a new national survey of 1,220 Latino adults, including 557 registered voters. The report also contains an analysis, based on government data, of deportation trends.

MEXICO TRAVELS WARNING

ANTONIO GUILLEN - SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

PKG: 1:30

WestJet is warning Canadians travelling to Mexico they should make sure their passports are in "perfect condition" before visiting the popular winter destination. "Mexican customs and immigration officials may deny entry to guests who arrive with passports that are damaged in some way - including rips or tears, missing corners or water damage to the cover and inside pages," the airline said in a recent travel advisory to Canadians heading south. Passport Canada's website says people with damaged passports may face delays at checkpoints or be prohibited from boarding. "Passport Canada recommends that a Canadian whose passport has been damaged apply as soon as possible for a new passport, as the Canadian passport is the only reliable and universally accepted travel and identification document for Canadians."

CALIFORNIA NEW CAR TOW LAW

LILIANA ESCALANTE - LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

PKG: 1:59

New law takes effect Sunday in California that prohibits police from impounding cars at sobriety checkpoints if a driver's only offense is no license. The practice has hit illegal immigrants hardest, since they haven't been eligible for a license in the state since 1993. The Associated Press reports that thousands of cars are towed each year in the state under those circumstances. The new law was introduced by state Assemblyman Gil

Cedillo, a Los Angeles Democrat who tried unsuccessfully to restore drivers licenses to illegal immigrants after California revoked the privilege in 1993. He said he proposed the bill to ban such towing after learning one Los Angeles incorporated suburb, Bell, raked in big fees from unlicensed drivers at checkpoints.

INFANT FORMULA ENFAMIL

VO: 24

Health officials say an Oklahoma baby is the third infant this month sickened by bacteria sometimes associated with tainted infant formula.

The child, from Tulsa County, was infected with *Cronobacter sakazakii* but fully recovered. An Illinois child also rebounded after being sickened by the bacteria. A Missouri infant who was 10 days old died. The Missouri child's death was initially linked to Enfamil powdered infant formula. Powdered formula has been suspected in cases in years past. But health officials say the Oklahoma child had not consumed Enfamil.

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