

FCC REPORTS- EDICION NOCTURNA 11:30 PM- AUGUST 2012 - PART 2

DREAMERS BREWER - VICTOR HUGO RODRIGUEZ. PHOENIX, ARIZONA President Obama's decision earlier this year to offer work permits and a two-year stay of deportation for some young undocumented immigrants was ripped by Republicans as an election-year giveaway to Mr. Obama's Latino supporters - but it also carries political risk for the Obama administration itself. The so-called DREAMers can begin applying Wednesday under the new Obama program, formally known as Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA). The risk is that few people will trust the government enough to apply for the program and that it becomes an election-year sop with little impact among DREAMers - leaving the broader Latino community feeling let down by the president, say advocates for immigrants. In Arizona, which passed one of the nation's toughest anti-immigration laws, Gov. Jan Brewer signed an executive order Wednesday directing state agencies to deny driver's licenses and other public benefits to illegal immigrants who obtain work authorizations under the program. Brewer said the federal program doesn't give immigrants legal status and she's following the intent of the current state law denying public benefits to them.

NILO VIRUS -LOURDES DEL RIO. MIAMI, FLORIDA Dallas Mayor Mike Rawlings on Wednesday declared the city's recent West Nile virus outbreak to be a state of emergency and authorized the first aerial spraying of insecticide in the city in more than 45 years. Dallas and other North Texas cities have agreed to the rare use of aerial spraying from planes to combat the nation's worst outbreak of West Nile virus so far this year. Dallas last had aerial spraying in 1966, when more than a dozen deaths were blamed on encephalitis. More than 200 cases of West Nile and 10 deaths linked to the virus have been reported across Dallas County, where officials authorized aerial spraying last week. State health department statistics show 381 cases and 16 deaths related to West Nile statewide

IMMIGRATION ALABAMA A divided U.S. Commission on Civil Rights is hearing testimony in Birmingham on state laws cracking down on illegal immigration in Alabama and other states. Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach testified Friday that the laws aren't discriminatory and don't result in racial profiling. Kobach helped write the laws in Alabama and Arizona. Protesters interrupted Kobach repeatedly until they were escorted out by police. Commission members then started bickering among themselves before

GAS PRICES LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA -The price of oil rose to its highest point in three months Friday, topping off four straight days of gains, on signs U.S. consumers are gaining confidence in the economy. Benchmark oil rose 41 cents in New York to end at \$96.01 -- the first time it's finished above \$96 since May 11. It gained 3.4 percent this week on positive economic data and a drop in U.S. oil supplies, and is up 23 percent from its late-June low. The Thomson Reuters/University of Michigan preliminary August index of consumer sentiment released Friday showed its highest level since May. Most economists had been expecting a decline. That, combined with surprisingly strong retail sales and housing data, spread hope this week that the economy is gaining traction. Consumer spending drives roughly 70 percent of growth. Word that the Obama administration is considering a release of oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve to stem the rising cost of crude appeared to have more impact on Brent crude, which is used to price international varieties of

CHILDREN LEFT IN HOT CARS - JORGE VIERA. IN HOUSE - Parents' leaving their kids in the backseat of cars during the sweltering days of summer has become an all-too-familiar scene in the United States. Twenty-three children have died of hyperthermia in cars in 14 states this year and eight of the deaths occurred in the first week of August. Nearly 40 children die this way each year, according to Kids and Cars. The latest death was Aug. 7 when, police say, Stephanie Gray, 38, forgot to drop off her five-month-old son, Joel, at a church day care in Murfreesboro, Tenn. Instead, Gray dropped off her 11-year-old at school and returned home, leaving Joel in the backseat of the minivan, according to ABC News affiliate KLTN

LATINAS UNEMPLOYED - BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ - At nearly 23 million, people of Hispanic or Latino ethnicity represented 15 percent of the U.S. labor force in 2011. By 2020, Latinos are expected to comprise 19 percent of the U.S. labor force. In 2011, 58.9 percent of Latinos aged 16 and over were employed and just under 1 in 5 of those employed was working part-time. Women comprised 41 percent of all Latinos in the labor force in 2011, compared to 46 percent among the white labor force. Women represent a smaller share of the Latino labor force both because of the high labor force participation of Latino men and the lower labor force participation rate of Latina women when compared to Whites. Employed Latinos are much less likely to have a college degree than are either Whites or African Americans. Approximately one in six employed Latinos aged 25 and over have completed a bachelor's degree, less than half the proportion among employed Whites. Since 2000, this gap in the share of employed Latinos and Whites who are college graduates has widened. Between 2000 and 2011, the gap between employed Whites with a college education and employed Latinos with a college education grew from 17.6 percentage points to 20.1 percentage points.

DREAMERS; DRIVER LICENCES - ARLEN FERNANDEZ - MIAMI, FLORIDA - Governor Jan Brewer ignited a firestorm Wednesday when she signed an executive order making it seemingly impossible for so-called dreamers to get a driver's license in the wake of President Obama's deferred action program. Deferred action by the president confers neither lawful status or lawful presence on an individual, said Matthew Benson, the Governor's spokesperson. The Governor said that is why she issued an executive order on the issue. Certainly we have issues here in Arizona we are concerned about in regards to driver's licenses people in the state unlawfully and public benefits, said Brewer

WEST NILE VIRUS - KAREN FALLA - DALLAS, TEXAS - A second night of aerial spraying got underway last night in Dallas -- part of the fight against mosquitoes in a deadly West Nile virus outbreak. But pilots only got a couple hours of flying time before bad weather forced them to cancel the rest of the aerial drops. Four planes were to cover more than 270 square-miles with pesticide. Texas has been hit especially hard by the outbreak. The virus has killed at least 14 people there, and another 12 in other parts of the U-S

GM RECALL - General Motors and Isuzu are recalling more than 258,000 SUVs in the U.S. and Canada to fix short-circuits in power-window and door-lock switches that can cause fires. The recall covers Chevrolet TrailBlazer, GMC Envoy, Buick Rainier, Isuzu Ascender and Saab 97-X SUVs from the 2006 and 2007 model years. The SUVs were sold or registered in 20 U.S. states, Washington, D.C., and Canada, where salt and other chemicals are used to clear roads in the winter

OBESITY ALERT ON CAMERA: 55 - Older Americans are living longer, healthier lives than in past generations, according to new government research. However, rising obesity rates and high housing costs could take a toll on these gains in longevity, the report found. For the report, the U.S. Federal Interagency Forum on Aging-Related Statistics researchers looked at 37 indicators of well-being to assess how older Americans are faring as they age. Broad categories included population, economics, health status, health risks and behaviors, and health care. The researchers also examined seniors' end-of-life care

US WEST NILE - the nation's top health experts call it serious, life-altering disease and tonight, the west nile virus is now a problem from coast to coast... and we are getting a better sense how severe and historic this outbreak is. the centers for disease control reports 26 deaths so far. and nearly 700 confirmed cases this

WESTERN WILDFIRES - Nervous firefighters kept an eye out for potentially dangerous weather conditions as they struggled to contain a large blaze in central Washington state on Saturday. Many residents who live on the south and east sides of the 35-square mile blaze near Cle Elum returned home to find out whether their homes were spared. the so-called Taylor Bridge Fire has burned out of control for much of the week, destroying dozens of residential properties and hundreds of other structures on the east side of the Cascades

HOMELESS SHELTERS - JUAN CARLOS AGUIAR - LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA - The number of homeless in Los Angeles is on the rise due to various reasons. The recession is one of the common factors. and although many of these people have received help, it doesn't last for long. Los Angeles is developing a program called Home for Good that will help this problem. It will provide homes for those who have been homeless for over a year

ALABAMA IMMIGRATION - A federal appeals court has blocked Alabama schools from checking on the citizenship status of new students. The provision was part of the state's tough new immigration law. The 11th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled Monday that the provision wrongly singles out children who are in the country illegally. Alabama was the only state that passed such a requirement. The 11th Circuit says a lower court should have blocked that part of the law

GEORGIA IMMIGRATION - The panel of the federal court did leave in place part of the injunction blocking a section of the Georgia law that allows for the prosecution of certain individuals who knowingly harbor or transport an illegal immigrant during the commission of a crime. The decisions follow a recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling upholding parts of a similar law in Arizona. The Atlanta-based court referenced that decision in its opinion to lift the injunction on the suspect verification section

NEW ENGLAND IMMIGRATION - ICE Mutual Agreement between Government and Employers - companies and municipalities are given education and training in proper hiring procedures, fraudulent document detection and the use of employment screening tools such as E-Verify. Certified employers also undergo an audit to ensure current employees are authorized to work in the United States. Officials from Milford and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement were scheduled to sign the agreement Monday night

DREAMERS TEXAS PERRY VO :29 - Texas Gov. Rick Perry has written to state agencies calling a new Obama administration immigration policy a slap in the face to the rule of law

GM RECALL - General Motors Co will recall 249,260 midsize sport utility vehicles to correct a potential fire hazard, a U.S. government safety agency said. GM, in a filing with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, said the recall affected 2006-2007 Chevrolet Trailblazer and GMC Envoy SUVs, as well as certain 2006-2007 Buick Rainier, Saab 9-7X and Isuzu Ascender SUVs

TAINTED CANTALOUPE - VO: 19 - If you recently bought cantaloupes with a sticker from Indiana...throw them away. The cantaloupe may be tainted with salmonella. The fruit is blamed for two deaths. And, nearly 150 people in 20 different states have gotten sick. Health experts say it's still safe to eat cantaloupe

SB 1070 ARIZONA - A federal judge in Phoenix will begin considering on Tuesday whether Arizona's tough "show me your papers" immigration law can go into effect, as the state grapples with hundreds of thousands of illegal immigrants. At the same time, District Court Judge Susan Bolton's hearing marks a fresh bid by immigration rights advocates to halt provisions of the Arizona law, already partially upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court, that requires police to check the immigration status of people they stop and suspect are in the country illegally. Attorneys for the ACLU and several immigration groups have asked Judge Bolton to temporarily block the law until she can consider fresh arguments against it that differ from those presented to the high court

GEORGIA IMMIGRATION RULING - JORGE VIERA / ATLANTA, GEORGIA - A federal appeals court in Atlanta ruled Monday that Georgia may start enforcing a law that empowers state and local police to investigate the immigration status of certain suspects But the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals also said it recognizes arguments from civil and immigrant rights activists that this statute invites a host of other problems, namely racial profiling. Reliance on race, color, or national origin that is constitutionally prohibited, however, is expressly forbidden by the Georgia statute, the court said in its 33-page ruling, released Monday

TX WEST NILE VIRUS - VO :19 An eleventh death in Dallas has been linked to West Nile Virus. Authorities say the latest victim was an elderly woman in her 80s diagnosed with a neuroinvasive disease. The mayor of Dallas took time Tuesday to recognize the victims. He also announced that the aerial spraying of pesticides seems to be working, so they are changing their approach

US WORKERS LIVING PAYCHECK BY PAYCHECK- LUIS MEGID / SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA - Fewer American workers are reliant on their next payday to make ends meet, according to a new CareerBuilder survey. Forty percent of workers report that they always or usually live paycheck to paycheck, a slight decrease from 42 percent in 2011. This year's figure marks a recession-era low, continuing a downward trend from a peak of 46 percent in 2008, during the early days of the financial crisis

WEST NILE VIRUS - VILMA TARAZONA. MIAMI, FLORIDA - The number of U.S. West Nile virus infections has jumped more than 60 percent in the past week, putting this year's outbreak on track to be the worst on record, and federal health officials are stumped by its severity. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control

on Wednesday said 1,118 cases and 41 deaths have been reported so far this year, up from fewer than 700 cases and 26 deaths just one week ago. Real-life "Contagion" uses DNA to halt outbreak

ARIZONA BREWER - JAIME GARCIA. PHOENIX, ARIZONA - PKG 2:00 - Anti-immigrant legislation in Arizona is creating hurdles for undocumented youth wishing to enroll in the new federal deferred program announced by the Obama Administration last June, that would defer deportation for certain undocumented immigrants and allow them to obtain work permits for a renewable period of two years. To qualify for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), applicants need to have been younger than 16-years-old when they entered the country illegally. They must also meet other criteria, such as being enrolled in high school or having earned a diploma or General Education Development (GED) certificate, and an absence of certain criminal convictions. But in Arizona, a state law - Proposition 300 -- approved by voters in 2006, bars state-funded schools from offering free GED classes to undocumented immigrants, making the path to DACA eligibility difficult for those who may have aged out of the high school system but still wish to become eligible for the new federal program

US-DECLINING MIDDLE CLASS - The share of the nation's income earned by the middle class has fallen to its lowest level in recent decades. It's been surpassed by affluent earners as median wages stagnate and wealth concentrates at the top in a relatively weak economy. A study by the Pew Research Center highlights the diminished share for the roughly half of U.S. adults who define themselves as middle class, with incomes ranging from \$39,000 to \$118,000. The report describes this group as suffering its worst decade in modern history having fallen backward in share of income for the first time since World War II and losing faith in the future. In all, 85 percent of middle-class Americans say it is more difficult now than a decade ago to maintain their standard of living

1 IN 5 CAN'T AFFORD FOOD - VO :20 Nearly 20 percent of Americans said they've had trouble affording food at times this year, according to Gallup. Another sign that the economy is not recovering quickly enough: A significant number of Americans are still having trouble affording food. According to Gallup, nearly one in five Americans say they didn't have enough money to pay for food at times this year. The poll results, based on the responses of nearly 180,000 American adults, were gathered through various surveys conducted from January through June. Americans in southern states were the most likely to have a hard time buying groceries, while residents of the Mountain Plains and Midwest regions had the least trouble, Gallup found. Census data from 2011 showed that poverty rates rose the most in the South 2009 to 2010, as compared to other regions in the United States

USA DROUGHT VO :20 Barge traffic resumed along an 11-mile (17.7 kilometre) stretch of the drought-ravaged Mississippi River near Greenville, Mississippi, but dozens of vessels waited their turn on Thursday to pass in the shrunken waterway. The Mississippi River, the country's primary highway for barge traffic, has dropped as much as 14 feet (4.3 metres) in the drought that has also withered crops in the Midwest and triggered wildfires in the West. The resulting changes in water currents and conditions have made navigation especially tricky and sometimes hazardous. At least 66 Mississippi River vessels have run aground this year between Natchez, Mississippi, and Caruthersville, Missouri, U.S

MELONS SALMONELLA VO :20 - Health officials say a farm in southwestern Indiana was the source of at least some of the salmonella-contaminated cantaloupe that has made at least 178 people in 21 states ill, but they are still trying to determine whether there are other sources. Federal and state officials disagree whether it is safe to eat melons from the region. The Food and Drug Administration says consumers should discard any cantaloupes grown there bought on or after July 7 because they are still investigating other possible sources of the outbreak. Amy Reel, Indiana Department of Health spokeswoman, says the state is recommending cantaloupes from Chamberlain Farms in Owensville be discarded, but melons from other farms are safe to eat as long as they are washed well and people use clean knives and cutting boards

AMERICANS WASTE FOOD - LILIANA ESCALANTE. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA - Americans waste up to 40% of the food that makes it onto grocery shelves, into their kitchens or that crosses their plates, which makes the potential consequences of the ongoing drought even more painful, reports the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC). For those unmoved by the human tragedy of that number, here's another one to chew on: the cost of that waste is close to \$165 billion per year. Indeed, the average American family of four throws out about \$2,275 in food every year, reports the NRDC. Recovering even 15% of the wasted amount would be enough to feed about 25 million Americans annually. What's more, it would address a serious environmental issue: uneaten food accounts for approximately 23% of the methane emissions in the US, as it rots in landfills.

MISSISSIPPI GOVERNOR BLOCKS BENEFITS FOR IMMIGRANTS Gov. Phil Bryant (R-MS) has ordered state agencies to prevent undocumented immigrants who benefit from President Obama's deferred action directive from receiving any state public benefits. He said his executive order stopping the state from granting benefits to DREAM Act-eligible youth who qualify for the federal policy follows current state law. Mississippi already bans state agencies from providing benefits like unemployment payments or food stamps to people who are not U.S. citizens or legal residents. Republican governors in Arizona and Nebraska issued similar orders after the deferred action policy went into effect August 15.

DREAMERS GRANTED DEFERRED ACTION STATUS TO APPLY FOR DRIVERS' LICENSES - JUAN CARLOS GONZALEZ. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA - Assemblymember Gilbert Cedillo (D-Los Angeles), amended AB 2189, which will allow dream students who are granted deferred action to obtain a California Drivers' License. The bill states that any document received by a person granted deferred action will be accepted as proof of legal presence for the purpose of applying for a California Drivers' License. Assemblymember Cedillo has been a champion of securing drivers licenses for the undocumented for 15 years. He has carried a bill several times allowing the undocumented to apply for drivers' licenses, but it was vetoed each time by then Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger

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ISAAC GAS PRICES - BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ. NEW YORK - Drivers are being hit with the biggest one-day jump in gasoline prices in 18 months just as the last heavy driving weekend of the summer approaches. As Hurricane Isaac swamps the nation's oil and gas hub along the Gulf Coast, it's delivering sharply higher pump prices to storm-battered residents of Louisiana and Mississippi -- and also to unsuspecting drivers up north in Illinois, Indiana and Ohio. The national average price of a gallon of gas jumped almost five cents Wednesday to \$3.80, the highest ever for this date. Prices are expected to continue to climb through Labor Day weekend, the end of the summer driving season

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