## **TOP 10 REASONS TO OPPOSE THE SENATE BORDER BILL** Why the Lankford-Murphy-Sinema Bill Will Not Solve the Border Crisis

- The primary reason we have a crisis on our southern border is because the Biden administration is releasing illegal aliens instead of detaining and removing them. Yet, the Senate border bill **does not restrict the government's ability to release illegal aliens** into the interior of the U.S. Under the Senate bill, it's business as usual.
- 2. The Senate border bill does **nothing to limit the abuse of humanitarian parole**. Parole is one of the main tools the Biden administration has used to release illegal aliens into the U.S., and indeed, even to fly them in from Cuba, Haiti, Nicaragua, and Venezuela.
- **3.** The Senate border bill creates a new asylum system under which any alien <u>merely claiming</u> asylum <u>must</u> <u>be released before they are ever screened by an asylum officer</u> to determine whether their claim is credible. It is nothing more than a new catch-and-release program that will spark a historic rush on our southern border, encourage even more asylum fraud, and allow millions of unvetted aliens to settle into communities nationwide.
- The Senate border bill promises speedy asylum screenings, but that's a facade. The language only requires that initial screenings be held within 90 days **"to the greatest extent practicable."** Thus, there is no legal requirement that asylum screenings take place quickly and nothing that will hold the Department of Homeland Security accountable.
- **5** Under the Senate bill, if the government is unable to conduct an asylum screening within 90 days, the government **must give the alien a work permit anyway**, whether their claim is credible or not. This allows illegal aliens to abscond with exactly what they wanted: the ability to live and work in the U.S.
- 6. Although the Senate border bill creates an expulsion authority for illegal aliens apprehended at the border, the provision only becomes mandatory after a staggering amount of illegal immigration has already taken place: **5,000** illegal border crossers per day over seven days (or 8,500 illegal aliens crossing in one day).
- The new expulsion authority is riddled with exceptions. The expulsion authority does not apply to asylumseekers and parolees at the ports of entry, and it does not apply to any group of persons the government feels should be exempted **"based on the totality of the circumstances."**
- 8 Worst of all, under the Senate bill, the expulsion authority may only be used for a <u>limited number of days</u> <u>each year</u> and <u>expires in three years</u>, leaving the American people in the same situation we are now.
- **9** The Senate proposal requires the Department of Homeland Security to process a minimum of 1,400 inadmissible aliens per day along the southwest border, <u>even when the expulsion authority is triggered</u>. Clearly, the Senate authors knew that their bill would not stop the flow of illegal migrants across the border.
- 10. The Senate border deal spends more taxpayer dollars to subsidize illegal immigration by appropriating \$1.4 billion to the Shelter and Services Program (SSP), which awards grants to **NGOs and sanctuary cities that** facilitate illegal immigration. This is in addition to the hundreds of millions spent for the State Department to provide "migrant assistance" and "economic assistance" to Central American countries.

