

occupy a unique position in our society. They are technically illegal in status, but the Supreme Court has determined that these children are not responsible for the actions of their parents for purposes of elementary and secondary public education, recognizing that we disserve ourselves when we discriminate against them. The DREAM Act builds upon the rationale underlying the Supreme Court's decision in *Plyler v. Doe* in the interest of strengthening our Nation's future. It builds upon the American dream.

Upon graduation from high school, thousands of talented young people find themselves without the legal status to obtain aid to attend college. The DREAM Act would give currently undocumented eligible young people the conditional legal status they need to allow them to obtain assistance to attend college or to join our military and eventually to obtain permanent legal residency and citizenship. Those who would benefit from the DREAM Act are young people we should be encouraging to follow their dreams. The status quo, in which our policies create barriers to advancement for so many young people who yearn to achieve and contribute, works to the disadvantage of the United States. Rather than barring young people from entering the American mainstream, we should strengthen our Nation's future through increased participation in higher education and in the military.

As the Senate prepares to take up the DREAM Act, I hope that those who opposed comprehensive immigration reform will pause to consider the very real benefits the DREAM Act will

bring. Let the Senate do the right thing, endorse the DREAM Act and reinforce the American dream for all.

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ORDER FOR STAR PRINT—S. 2201

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that S. 2201 be star printed with the changes that are at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

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APPOINTMENTS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 99-498, reappoints the following individual as a member of the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance: Clare Cotton of Massachusetts.

The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, upon the recommendation of the Republican Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-292, as amended by Public Law 106-55, and as further amended by Public Law 107-228, appoints the following individual to the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom: Dr. Richard D. Land of Tennessee, for a term of two years.

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ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2007

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 10 a.m., Tuesday, October 23; that on Tuesday, following the prayer and the pledge, the Journal

of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for use later in the day, and the Senate resume consideration of H.R. 3043, as provided for under the previous order; that on Tuesday the Senate recess from 12:30 to 2:15 p.m. for the respective party conferences.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

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PROGRAM

Mr. REID. Madam President, we have said we would finish the bill by 12:30 tomorrow. That may be difficult to do. I am disappointed, but I know everybody is working in good faith. I accept the distinguished Republican leader at his word that the bill will be completed sometime tomorrow afternoon. We are making progress. We have a number of things going forward.

The Republican leader knows what I am going to do as soon as we finish the Labor-HHS bill—appoint conferees, and it will go to conference, and we will bring that back as quickly as we can. He knows what I am moving to after that bill is finished.

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ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. REID. Madam President, if there is no further business, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate at 8:21 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, October 23, 2007, at 10 a.m.