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**Democratic Hispanic Caucus Applauds
Executive Action on Immigration**

The Democratic Hispanic Caucus of Florida applauds President Barack Obama for taking executive action to move forward immigration reform that will extend legal status to millions of undocumented immigrants living in the United States.

As many as five million immigrants could receive temporary reprieves from deportation, giving them the security and peace of mind that their families won't be torn apart, as has already happened to many immigrant families.

Immigrants also will receive temporary work permits to allow them to acquire Social Security numbers, a big step in helping millions to obtain work legally. In some states, they may be able to apply for driver's licenses to help them travel to their place of employment. Unfortunately, this will not be the case in Florida –unless Gov. Rick Scott and the State Legislature take up the legislation to help these newly legalized immigrants to go about their daily lives.

The Democratic Hispanic Caucus of Florida welcomes the opportunity to open the doors of prosperity to many of our fellow immigrant brothers and sisters who came to this country to seek and live the American dream.

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