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## Remove Harmful Anti-Immigrant Amendments

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During budget debate, the Senate approved sweeping and costly new legislation regarding undocumented immigrants. JALSA is concerned with the addition of these items without sufficient debate. Senators did not have adequate time to review and analyze these detailed and far reaching administrative and policy changes during the rushed process.

Rep. Denise Provost has taken the lead on a letter to Speaker DeLeo requesting that Sen. Amendment # 172.1 be excluded from the conference committee report on the FY 2011 budget. The amendment proposes sweeping and harmful policy changes targeting our immigrant neighbors and affects citizens and non-citizens alike.

### Action Requested:

Please call your state representatives as soon as possible!

1. Visit [www.wheredoivotema.com](http://www.wheredoivotema.com) for your state representative's contact information.
2. Ask your representative to talk to sign on to Rep. Denise Provost's letter to the Speaker.
3. Please use the following talking points to make your pitch on the letter:

\* The adoption of Senate Amendment # 172.1 will be:

- directly contrary to House policy against adopting major policy changes through the budget process.
- costly to state and local agencies.
- costly for small businesses and redundant (all employers already must check immigration status through the federal I-9 form), jeopardizing the jobs of citizens because it uses a flawed and complicated database.
- harmful for all residents, citizens and non-citizens alike.

\* Some of the harmful measures include establishing a 24-hour hotline for reporting of suspected undocumented workers, which is costly and damaging to public safety

\* Instead of streamlining the unemployment benefits system, it will require extra immigration status documents for all applicant

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