Statement for Work Session of May 22, 2019 on HB 2015

Honorable Members of the Joint Transportation Committee, Senators Prozanski, Thatcher, Bentz, Fagan, Gelser, Linthicum, and Manning:

I oppose HB 2015 and ask you to do so also.

Regarding HB 2015, your vote demonstrates your choice between (1) aiding the campaign for open borders, or (2) stopping the unlimited immigration that is already overwhelming government resources and threatening the survival of our nation.

Today, we see thousands of migrants arriving in whole caravans, **repeatedly**, at the southern border, and our federal immigration control apparatus <u>unable to cope</u> with the flood, allowing them to enter with no inspection.

A reputable research group just published <u>an analysis</u> showing that over 700 million people around the world would like to emigrate to the U.S. Its title: *How Many Would Really Come if the Borders Were Open? Analysis of a recent Gallup poll*, by Matthew Sussis, of the Center for Immigration Research.

Control over immigration must be maintained, or chaos follows. Bills such as HB 2015 are dangerous because they encourage and legitimize illegal immigration, a deadly threat to any country. We see the results of excessive immigration, legal and illegal, all too clearly here – overcrowding everywhere, constant social frictions, life-threating changes in climate due to environmental degradation caused by overpopulation.

The U.S. has done more than any other nation to help poor countries around the world. The U.S. AID program <u>dates from World War II days</u>, offering financial and technological assistance. Poor countries and their citizens must improve conditions where they reside now. That could happen if their people did not have virtually unlimited entry into more prosperous countries such as the U.S.

This bill is not just a favor to a few nice people. It appears to be a cog in the wheel of a political machine being built to destroy this country.

Members of the Joint Transportation Committee, please vote NO on HB 2015.

https://www.ice.gov/sites/default/files/documents/Testimony/2019/190508asher.pdf https://cis.org/Sussis/How-Many-Would-Really-Come-if-Borders-Were-Open

https://www.usaid.gov/who-we-are/usaid-history