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A Weaker, More Vulnerable America

A Budget that Ignores the Border Crisis

President Biden's immigration and border security priorities are on full display in his FY25 Budget request. President Biden manages to request additional funding for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) – the agency in charge of protecting our sovereign borders – except the funding is ***not directed to protect our borders***:

- **\$4.4 billion** for DHS's **climate resilience programs** as “part of the Administration's efforts to build a climate resilient Nation.”
- **\$4.7 billion** Southwest Border Contingency Fund for DHS – but not for preventing illegal migrants from crossing the border – but to **absorb them once they get into the country** (“transportation, medical care, soft-sided facilities, and Shelter and Service Program grants.”)

A Budget that's All Talk, No Action

President Biden's Administration states, “[t]he majority of all individuals encountered at the Southwest land border over the past three years have been removed, returned, or expelled.”

Sadly, this is a **bold-faced lie** that not even DHS Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas agrees with.

- Earlier this year in an interview with Fox News, Secretary Mayorkas confirmed that **85 percent of illegal migrants** encountered at the Southwest border are, in fact, released into the interior of the country.
- Since President Biden took office, there have been **8.7 million encounters** nationwide and **7.2 million encounters** at the Southwest border alone.

The Biden Administration has overseen the nation's worst migration crisis in U.S. history and yet, **no real actions or investments are made to gain operational control at the Southwest border in the President's FY 2025 Budget request.**

The Answer is H.R. 2, the Secure Border Act

In the Preamble of the Constitution, our Founding Fathers outlined the chief responsibility of the federal government—"provide for common Defence."

Homeland Security Secretary Mayorkas and the Biden Administration **have abdicated this constitutional duty** and have continually **failed in their oath to protect the American people**, their FY 2025 Budget request is further evidence of this dereliction of duty.

As a result of this failure to secure the border and enforce the laws of the land, our nation has experienced an **unprecedented and unmitigated humanitarian and national security crisis**.

H.R. 2, the Secure Our Border Act would finally bring an end to the progressive policies that have laid bare our Southwest Border and upended communities across the Nation.

Provisions in H.R. 2 include:

- ✓ Immediately begins construction of the border wall
- ✓ Requires Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to maintain 22,000 Border Patrol Agents
- ✓ Implements new technology between ports of entry
- ✓ Requires CBP to certify that it has access to foreign criminal history databases needed to certify migrants
- ✓ Limits the usages of the CBP One App
- ✓ Reinstates Trump Era migrant policies like "Remain in Mexico"
- ✓ Limits the total number of migrants and length of parole
- ✓ Requires E-Verify for all migrant employers

Republicans are ready to solve the border crisis but this Administration, as apparent in the FY 2025 Budget request, is not.