

## PRESIDENT BUSH CALLS FOR REFORM IN STATE OF THE UNION ADDRESS

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President Bush revived his plan for immigration reform in his State of the Union address on February 2, 2005. While outlining his goals for his second term, the President once again stressed to Congress the need to implement his immigration reform plan commonly referred to as a “guest worker” program. While speaking about the U.S. economy, the President highlighted immigration reform as a key to economic growth:

*"America's immigration system is also outdated -- unsuited to the needs of our economy and to the values of our country. We should not be content with laws that punish hard-working people who want only to provide for their families, and deny businesses willing workers, and invite chaos at our border. It is time for an immigration policy that permits temporary guest workers to fill jobs Americans will not take, that rejects amnesty, that tells us who is entering and leaving our country, and that closes the border to drug dealers and terrorists."*

President Bush first introduced his “guest worker” immigration plan in January 2004. For more detailed information on the President’s proposal, see our article on the Frequently Asked Questions About President Bush’s Guest Worker Proposal. Stay tuned to [www.longchangonline.com](http://www.longchangonline.com) for more information on President’s Bush’s immigration plan!

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