AGRICULTURAL WORKER PROGRAM ACT OF 2019

The "Blue Card Bill" would provide **path to immigration status** for undocumented agricultural workers and **stabilize the farm labor force**. A majority of the nation's 2.4 million farmworkers are undocumented.

STEP 1Apply for "Blue Card" Status

Temporary residency and employment authorization

STEP 2

Earn Legal Permanent Resident ("Green Card") Status

18-month process:

- Prove employment in U.S. agriculture for at least 100 work days over the last two years
- Not be excluded by certain immigration laws
- Complete national security and law enforcement clearances
- Not have been convicted of a felony, aggravated felony, 3 or more misdemeanors, or certain crimes
- Pay an application fee and a \$100 fine

Family members would also be eligible for blue card status

- Perform agricultural work for at least
 - 100 work days per year for each of the next 5 years OR
 - 150 work days per year for each of the next 3 years
- Pay an application fee and a \$400 fine
- Pay any applicable federal taxes
- Continue to meet other admissibility requirements

