

THE HOOVER PLAN

The “Hoover Plan” for migration policy reform emphasizes changes in just a few variables. First, the plan provides lengthy visas for persons who are already here and expediting their acquisition of a new legal status. It does not feature a “multi-hurdle” path to citizenship, but does create for those who desire to permanently participate in our economy and society a means to accomplish that.

Current plans require many persons to make desperate decisions and smack of cultural imperialism. Secondly, and most importantly, it features an expansive plan for legalized work opportunities. Sending countries pre-screen for visas.

Organized labor can collaborate prior to entry. Migrants open accounts with a deposit of say, \$2,500—equivalent to the average coyote fee. The account accrues contributions from payroll deductions until the visa expires. The migrant collects his or her account—usually more than \$8,000—and leaves the country. If not, the fees are forfeited to law enforcement. Basically, the plan creates the first-ever economic incentive to comply with the terms of a visa and builds on what we already know and practice with other employment based visas.

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