



**TENTATIVE  
AGENDA**

**RGV Immigration Summit: A Forum for Employers**

**Friday, May 9th, 2008**

**9:30 AM – 2 PM**

McAllen Convention Center

**Welcome:** *The Honorable Richard Cortez, Mayor of McAllen*

**Understanding What is Broken (20 min)**

Impact on Businesses: *Bill Hammond, President & CEO, Texas Association of Business; TEIR Board Member*

**What Actions Can We Expect From the U.S. Congress? (60 min)**

(Speakers listed in order of appearance)

*Moderator: Sam F. Vale, President, KTLN-TV (Telemundo 40)*

Where is U.S Senate on the Issue? *David Beckwith, State Director for U.S. Senator John Cornyn, R-Texas*

The Real Politics of Congress: *Charles Stenholm, Former U.S. Congressman and Chairman of the House Committee on Agriculture*

Where is the U.S. House of Representatives on the Issue? *The Honorable Henry Cuellar, United States House of Representatives, District 28*

**--5 Min Break--**

**Panel on Employer Concerns (1 hr & 10 min)**

(Speakers listed in order of appearance)

*Moderator: Beto Cardenas, Vinson and Elkins & Former Chief Counsel to Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison*

Human Resource Management Concerns:

*Nancy Reed, Owner, Express Employment Professionals*

*Gilbert Elizondo, Vice President of Human Resources, Keppel AmFELS*

Legal and Compliance Challenges:

*Robert H. Crane, Jones & Crane Attorneys, Weslaco*

*Jerry Robinette, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Office of Investigations – South Texas*

**--LUNCH: 60 min--**

**Can the Broken Immigration System be Fixed State by State? (35 min)**

States are Taking Matters in their Hands: What is Impact? *Tamar Jacoby, President & CEO, Immigration Works USA*

What is the Best Path for Texas? *Eddie Aldrete, Senior Vice President, IBC Bank*

**A Call for Businesses and Individuals to Act (10 min)**

*Blaine Bull, Texas Employers for Immigration Reform*

*The Honorable J.D. Salinas, Hidalgo County Judge*

**Adjourn**