

**EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY STUDENT BODY
THE HUNDRED AND THIRD STUDENT SENATE
WINTER TERM TWO-THOUSAND SEVENTEEN**

RESOLUTION NO. S.Res-103-20

AUTHORED BY Director Koli & Senator Garcia

SUPPORTED BY Senator Lukwago, Senator Caloia,
Senator Westfall, Senator Al-Jarba,
& Delegate Peeler

A RESOLUTION: TO STATE OUR SUPPORT FOR AND TO URGE OUR CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES TO PASS THE BRIDGE ACT THAT IS BEFORE THE 115TH CONGRESS

THE STUDENT BODY OF EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY ENACTS:

WHEREAS, the BRIDGE Act is known formally as S. 128 and H. 496 the “Bar Removal of Individuals who Dream and Grow our Economy Act;”

WHEREAS, the BRIDGE Act would permit many students who are recognized as undocumented immigrants to remain in protected status;

WHEREAS, the BRIDGE Act protects undocumented immigrants who moved to the U.S. at a young age and recognize this country as their only home;

NOTING, most of the individuals protected under this act are young children who were brought here at a young age by their guardians and are undocumented through no fault of their own;

NOTING, Governor Rick Snyder has stated, “We need to encourage immigration in Michigan, that’s how we made our country great;”

WHEREAS, allowing these individuals to remain in the country will be beneficial to the U.S. as a whole, as immigrants help this nation grow through their culture, work ethic and determination;

WHEREAS, supporting the BRIDGE Act would be consistent with the actions in which the State of Michigan has taken with regards to the status of undocumented immigrants;

RECOGNIZING, the positive impact this legislation will have on many living in the State of Michigan and elsewhere;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eastern Michigan University Student Body stands in support of the BRIDGE Act and encourages Congressional Leadership to schedule hearings immediately to ensure its timely passage;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, We implore members of the Michigan and Ohio congressional delegations to take any action required to ensure the legislation’s immediate passage.

INTRODUCED IN COMMITTEE: 2/6/17

COMMITTEE VOTE: PASS

AYES 6

NAYS 0

INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE: 2/7/17

SENATE VOTE: PASS

AYES 17

NAYS 3

ABSTAIN 0

Emily Lindoel
CLERK OF THE SENATE

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STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT