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Compete America Applauds Introduction of “The U.S. Citizenship Act of 2021”

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – *Compete America*, a coalition dedicated to ensuring that the United States has the innovative workforce necessary to grow the economy and create American jobs, issued the following statement today regarding the introduction of “The U.S. Citizenship Act of 2021.”

“Compete America applauds Senator Menendez, Representative Sánchez, and the original House and Senate cosponsors of the ‘U.S. Citizenship Act of 2021’ for the introduction of meaningful and long overdue reforms to our nation’s immigration laws. We also thank President Biden and his administration for continued leadership in this effort.”

“The U.S. immigration system is not only an important contributor to our nation’s rich heritage and cultural diversity. Immigrants also play a pivotal role in the growth of our economy and the creation of new job opportunities for the American workforce. *Compete America* and its member organizations represent the nation’s leading highly skilled industries and U.S. employers. America’s prosperous innovation economy is the direct result of decades of collaboration between the world’s top STEM professionals—both U.S. and foreign-born. From lifesaving medical research at top U.S. universities to leading-edge technological developments that open new economic frontiers and keep our country safer, the future of America’s prosperity and security will continue to rely on our nation’s ability to educate, attract and permanently retain the best and brightest US and foreign-born STEM professionals today.”

“The ‘U.S. Citizenship Act of 2021’ proposes many important and overdue changes to the U.S. employment-based green card system that will enhance our nation’s economic growth and security. We thank the congressional sponsors and supporters again for taking the first step on the path to real and impactful immigration reform this year. *Compete America* looks forward to working with congressional Democrats and Republicans as well as the Biden administration to ensure that our immigration system is both modernized for the economy of tomorrow and respectful of the dignity of all people who seek better opportunities in our great country.”

To learn more about the benefits of highly educated foreign-born professionals to the U.S. economy, visit www.competeamerica.org.

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