

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: GLENN HAMER
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RE: ARIZONA STATEWIDE SURVEY KEY FINDINGS ON IMMIGRATION

## **Methodology**

On behalf of the Arizona Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Public Opinion Strategies conducted a statewide survey in Arizona on March 19-21, 2013. The survey was conducted among 500 registered voters and has a margin of error of  $\pm 4.38\%$ .

## **Key Findings on Immigration Reform**

## Voters in Arizona are enthusiastic about a bi-partisan approach to immigration reform.

Survey respondents heard the following description of the Gang of 8 bi-partisan immigration reform plan:

Now I'd like to describe an immigration reform plan and get your reaction. The plan has four main elements:

- X Create a path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants already here that is contingent upon securing the border and combating visa overstays.
- X Improving our legal immigration system and attracting the world's best and brightest.
- X A strong employment verification system that holds employers accountable for knowingly hiring undocumented workers and makes it more difficult to falsify documents to obtain employment.
- X Admitting new workers only when Americans cannot be found to fill jobs and protect the rights of workers.

Fully 72% of voters support the immigration reform plan as described.

- ➤ This includes the support of 74% of Republicans, 75% of Independents and 69% of Democrats.
- The plan knits together a coalition of self-described liberals (76%) and Tea Party identifiers (73%).
- Support for the reform plan is high among Anglo (71%) and Hispanic (76%) voters.