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Airdate: April 1

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: FUEL EFFICENCY

Synopsis: The Obama administration set tougher gas mileage standards for new cars and trucks Thursday, spurring the next generation of fuel-sipping gas-electric hybrids, efficient engines and electric cars. The heads of the Transportation Department and the Environmental Protection Agency signed final rules setting fuel efficiency standards for model years 2012-2016, with a goal of achieving by 2016 the equivalent of 35.5 miles per gallon combined for cars and trucks, an increase of nearly 10 mpg over current standards set by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: JOBLESS CLAIM

Synopsis: Initial claims for unemployment benefits fell slightly last week as the recovering economy moves closer to generating more hiring. The Labor Department said new jobless benefit claims dropped 6,000 to a seasonally adjusted 439,000, nearly matching analysts' estimates. It's the fourth drop in five weeks. The four-week average of claims fell by nearly 7,000 to 447,250, the lowest total since the week of Sept. 13, 2008, just before Lehman Brothers collapsed and the

Financial crisis intensified.

Duration: 30 sec.
Topic: **CENSUS DAY**

Synopsis: This April 1 is the National Census Day, the deadline for returning the forms received by mail a few days earlier with the answers to ten questions that help to know how many we are and where we live in the United States. If you did not return your form, is the ideal time to do so. The Census 2010 form requires only ten minutes.

Airdate: April 2

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: **OBAMA JOBS**

Synopsis: President Barack Obama on Friday hailed a new government report showing the most jobs created in nearly three years. Obama said that businesses added 162,000 jobs to their payrolls in March. He said the new figures point the way toward "helping us climb out of this recession," the deepest in 80 years. Even so, the Labor Department report was a mixed one. The overall unemployment rate remained unchanged at 9.7 percent, where it has been stuck since January. And 48,000 of the new workers filled temporary government-created Census Bureau positions. Some 8.4 jobs have evaporated since the recession began in December 2007.

Topic: **PESTICIDE NEW LAW**

Synopsis: A bill moving through the state Assembly would require laboratories that test for pesticide poisoning to report their data to the California Department of Pesticide Regulation. Currently, labs only report test results to patients' physicians, not to any state agency. The bill would allow health officials in the nation's largest agricultural state to more accurately track pesticide exposure and implement safety precautions, said Assemblyman Pedro Nava, D-Santa Barbara, who wrote the bill.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: AVIATION SECURITY

Synopsis: Travelers from 14 countries that have been home to terrorists will no longer automatically face extra screening before they fly to the U.S. Beginning this month, anyone traveling to the U.S. will instead be screened based on specific information about potential terrorist threats, Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano said Friday. Previously, authorities needed the name of a suspect to screen against passenger names. A person would be stopped and would undergo extra screening if he or she matches a description provided by intelligence officials.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: FORECLOSURE HELP

Synopsis: The federal government announced Friday that it is relaxing some rules to make it easier for communities to spend funds on redeveloping abandoned and foreclosed properties. The changes, effective immediately, will allow cities, counties and states to buy properties in mortgage default and uninhabitable homes with lingering code violations through the \$4 billion Neighborhood Stabilization Program. The program was started in the midst of the nation's foreclosure crisis, but a year later about a third of more than 300 local governments that got grants have barely made a dent in them, according to a recent report from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: DHS REPORT CONFIRMS SERIOUS CIVIL RIGHTS PROBLEMS WITH LOCAL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

Synopsis: A report from the Department of Homeland Security reveals several critical problems surrounding Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) 287(g) program, which allows certain state and local law enforcement agencies to engage in federal immigration enforcement activities. The American Civil Liberties Union has strongly opposed the 287(g) program, believing it has led to illegal racial profiling and civil rights abuses while diverting scarce resources from traditional local law enforcement functions and distorting immigration enforcement priorities.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA RAIDS

Synopsis: Authorities say dozens of suspected illegal aliens were taken into custody after two traffic stops on an interstate near Phoenix. In the first incident, authorities say they tried to stop an S-U-V. They say 15 people who ran away were detained by state police at a nearby shopping mall. In the second incident, the driver of a pickup truck led police on a half-mile chase when state police tried to stop the vehicle. The truck stopped, the driver and three others ran away, but troopers snagged them at a nearby restaurant.

They also detained 17 suspected illegal aliens. Two of them were juveniles and three were women.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: PILOTS ANTIDEPRESSANTS

Synopsis: Some pilots who take antidepressants for mild or moderate depression will be able to take to the skies as soon as next week. The Federal Aviation Administration is lifting its flying ban on pilots taking medication like Prozac. While it says the old rule was based on older versions that could produce drowsiness and other side effects, it says the medications have been updated and the safety risk has lessened. The rule change was also partly aimed at encouraging those with depression to be candid about their treatment. The FAA says a problem with the old policy was that some pilots kept their treatment a secret. It's offering an amnesty of sorts to pilots who disclose their diagnoses and treatment within six months.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: NEWARK CRIME REDUCTION

Synopsis: Law enforcement officials in Newark, N.J., say March was the city's first month without a killing in more than 40 years. Police Director Garry McCarthy said this week that the last time the city went through a calendar month without a murder was in May 1966. McCarthy attributes the decreases to progress by police in combating the narcotics trade. The reprieve comes as welcome news in a city that has become a symbol of urban crime and blight since it was rocked by riots in the late 1960s.

Airdate: April 3

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: US STUDENTS IN MONTERREY, MX-MANDATORY RETURN HOME

Synopsis: The University of Texas at Austin, citing the raging violence in northern Mexico, has ordered its foreign exchange students in Monterrey to return home, officials confirmed Friday. It's the first time UT, which had more than 2,200 students in studyabroad programs around the globe in the 2008-2009 school year, has ever recalled students, officials said. UT Executive Vice-President and Provost Steven Leslie issued the order March 23, said Christian Clarke Casarez, director of international public affairs. The order only applies to students enrolled at the Monterrey Institute of Technology and Higher Education.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: NY-EDUCATION PROGRAM

Synopsis: The Mexican-American Students Alliance (MASA) provides positive guidance and support for underserved youth of Mexican descent living in New York City. MASA encourages its participants to strive to their fullest potential by setting and achieving academic goals in its tutoring and mentoring program. Furthermore, by fostering cultural and civic awareness, MASA empowers a future generation of active and involved citizens.

Topic: VATICAN-CHURCH ABUSE

Synopsis: At a solemn Good Friday service, Pope Benedict XVI's personal preacher likened the tide of allegations that the leadership of the Catholic Church has covered up sex abuse cases to the "more shameful aspects of anti-Semitism." But within hours, facing a storm of criticism at the comparison, the Vatican felt it necessary to distance the pope from the preacher's remarks.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: POLL: MOST AMERICANS AGAINST HEALTHCARE OVERALL

Synopsis: The public is increasingly skeptical of the health care reform bill signed into law last week, a new poll shows. More Americans now disapprove of the legislation, and many expect their costs to rise and the quality of their care to worsen; few expect the reforms to help them. President Obama has continued to tour the country to stump for his new set of reforms. This week he went to Portland, Maine, where he told people it will take more than a week for the benefits of reform to become apparent. The poll, conducted March 29 through April 1, found that so far the president's efforts to build up support for the bill appear to be ineffective.

April 4, 2010

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS ARRESTS

Synopsis: The US Internal Security Department accepted for the first time that there are numerous flaws in the program between the Immigration Service Department and the local and state Police Departments to identify and detain illegal immigrants. The Department recommended making changes on access to information systems in order to adjust the 287 G Program.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: IMMIGRATION REFORM STUDY-1996

Synopsis: A new study reveals that 1996 Immigration Reform that caused the deportation of illegal immigrants is deeply affecting kids that were born in the country.

April 5, 2010

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: TOYOTA FINE

Synopsis: Toyota Motor Corp faces a proposed \$16.4 million fine from U.S. regulators who said the automaker knowingly delayed a massive recall for defective accelerator pedals. The civil penalty, the largest that the U.S. Department of Transportation has ever sought, is the first official finding that the world's largest automaker violated U.S. safety regulations. Toyota can appeal the penalty. "We now have proof that Toyota failed to live up to its legal obligations," U.S. Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood said in a statement. "Worse yet, they knowingly hid a dangerous defect for months from U.S. officials and did not take action to protect millions of drivers and their families."

April 6, 2010

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: **NEW NUCLEAR POLICY**

Synopsis: The Obama administration unveiled a "Nuclear Policy Review" Tuesday which makes significant changes to the position of the US government regarding nuclear weapons, shifting the emphasis to preventing nuclear proliferation and nuclear terrorism. In the Review, the US government will pledge to refrain from using nuclear weapons to attack any country in compliance with the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) -- even if that country has attacked the US with chemical or biological weapons.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: ECONOMY LATEST

Synopsis: Job openings rose in several sectors of the economy in February, including retail, manufacturing, transportation, restaurants and hotels, the Labor Department said Tuesday. The report is consistent with other surveys showing hiring is picking up in those areas. It also echoes last week's national employment report, which showed broad job gains in March. Total job openings, meanwhile, declined in February, the department said. That's a sign that hiring remains sluggish even though employers are starting to add workers as they gain more confidence that the recovery is taking hold.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: AIRLINE CARRY-ON FEE

Synopsis: Baggage fees have sneaked out of the belly of the plane and into the overhead bin. Spirit Airlines will charge as much as \$45 each way for a carry-on bag starting Aug. 1. Personal items like purses and laptop computers that fit under the seat will still be free. Spirit is the first airline to charge passengers for carry-ons. It's sure to seize the attention of passengers as well as airline executives who are probably glad that Spirit tried it first.

April 7, 2010

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: ENGLISH LEARNING FOR KIDS

Synopsis: A nonprofit group says school kids who are still learning English have made progress over the past three years. The Center on Education Policy says 25 of 35 states that have sufficient data report that fourth graders did better on reading tests from 2006 to 2008. And 70 percent of those states report an increase in the number of fourth and eighth grade students considered "proficient" in reading and math. The gains may be the result of the No Child Left Behind law, which mandates testing. But the group says the data also found significant gaps between the proficiency levels among English language learners and other students. Of the 35 states examined, 11 had differences of more than 30 percentage points. State results also vary. In one state, 87 percent of high school students were proficient in reading, compared to 6 percent in another.

Topic: TOYOTA RECALL

Synopsis: Five days before Toyota announced a massive recall, a U.S. executive at the company wrote in an internal e-mail: "We need to come clean" about accelerator problems, according to documents obtained by The Associated Press. "We are not protecting our customers by keeping this quiet, "wrote Irv Miller, group vice president for environment and public affairs. "The time to hide on this one is over." The recently retired Miller wrote the Jan. 16, 2010, e-mail as Toyota officials were on their way to Washington to discuss the problems with federal regulators. On Jan. 21, Toyota announced it would recall 2.3 million vehicles to address sticking pedals in six models.

April 8, 2010

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: CIGARRETTE MAY INCREASE MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS

Synopsis: An increased risk of multiple sclerosis among smokers has been found in several prospective epidemiological studies. The association between smoking and progression of multiple sclerosis has not been examined. We identified patients who had a first multiple sclerosis diagnosis recorded in the General Practice Research Database (GPRD) between January 1993 and December 2000. Their diagnosis and date of first symptoms were confirmed through examination of medical records. Smoking status was obtained from the computer records. To assess the association between smoking and risk of multiple sclerosis, we conducted a case-control study nested in the GPRD.

April 9, 2010

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: TEACHER PAY BILL

Synopsis: The outcome was clear going in, but lawmakers in the state House of Representatives still debated a controversial teacher pay bill until nearly 2:30 a.m. Friday. After more than nine hours, they voted. Ultimately, the vote was 64 for and 55 against the measure, which would overhaul the way teachers are evaluated, compensated and fired in Florida. Eleven Republicans joined Democrats in voting no.

April 10, 2010

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: **OBAMA TAXES**

Synopsis: Just ahead of Tax Day, President Barack Obama is urging Americans to take advantage of tax credits for first-time homebuyers, college students and others. Obama used his weekly radio and Internet address Saturday to promote some of the tax benefits in last year's stimulus bill, saying they could save people hundreds or even thousands of dollars and were available to more than 100 million Americans. Even those who file before the April 15 deadline can amend their returns if there are savings they missed, Obama noted.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: IMMIGRATION MARCH

Synopsis: Tens of thousands will rally for immigration reform in cities all over the country this weekend. The series of events are part of the momentum built at the March For America rally when at least 200,000 Americans came to Washington, DC for a dramatic demonstration of support for fixing our broken immigration system. Now activists are bringing the movement back home and elected officials are taking notice.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: DAY CARE E-COLI

Synopsis: County health officials didn't close a Washington state day care for several days after children were hospitalized with a deadly strain of E. coli -- because of concerns the infection would spread farther if parents took their children elsewhere. A 4-year-old boy died after being infected at the Vancouver, Wash., center, and three other children were afflicted.

April 11, 2010

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: CENSUS AND HISPANICS

Synopsis: The Census Bureau is waging an extensive campaign to make sure that minorities, including millions of illegal immigrants, are counted in this year's census. But some in the Hispanic community are trying to undermine that effort. They want undocumented immigrants to boycott the census to send a protest message to Congress about the need to overhaul immigration laws.

April 12, 2010

Duration: 30 sec. Topic: **CENSUS 2010**

Synopsis: The Census Bureau is asking people to mail their forms by Friday as it prepares to send more than 600,000 census takers to homes beginning May 1. Homes that have not yet received census forms can call 1-866-872-6868 between 8 a.m. and 9 p.m. to submit information by phone or find out where to pick up a form at more than

40,000 help centers around the country. The Census Bureau has estimated it would save \$1.5 billion in follow-up visits if everyone who received a census form mailed it back. The population count, conducted every 10 years, is used to distribute U.S. House seats and more than \$400 billion in federal aid.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: REPORT SEXUAL ABUSES

Synopsis: The Vatican is making it clear for the first time that bishops and other high-ranking clergy should report clerical sex abuse to police. The Vatican has insisted that this has long been the Catholic Church's policy. But in a new guide for lay readers posted today on its Web site, it made public for the first time an explicit policy of reporting abuse to law-enforcement.

April 13, 2010

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: CONSUMER REPORTS MAGAZINE ADVICES ABOUT LEXUS

Synopsis: Influential nonprofit magazine Consumer Reports Tuesday urged car shoppers not to buy the 2010 Lexus GX 460, calling the Toyota Motor Corp sport utility vehicle a "safety risk" to roll over. The magazine, which is seen as an objective voice on auto safety and quality in the North American market, said the 2010 Lexus GX 460 was prone to slide when driven in sweeping turns and gave the vehicle a "not acceptable" rating.

April 14, 2010

Duration 30 sec. Topic: **TAXES**

Synopsis: In most cases, the IRS will accept some type of payment arrangement for past due taxes. In order to qualify for a payment plan with the IRS you must meet the following rules and provide the IRS with this information: You must have filed all tax returns. You will need to disclose all assets owned including all cash and bank accounts. You must not have adequate cash available in a checking, savings, money market, or brokerage account to pay the IRS. You must not have the capacity to borrow the amount owed to the IRS from other sources. You must not have adequate equity in a retirement account from which you can borrow or liquidate; for example, IRA's or 401K's.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: OBAMA FORECLOSURE PLAN LEAVES MANY OUT

Synopsis: A watchdog panel overseeing the financial bailouts says a key Obama administration mortgage aid program will help only one in six families facing foreclosure. The Congressional Oversight Panel says in a report Wednesday that the administration's plan lags well behind the foreclosure crisis. The program gives mortgage investors and collection companies incentives to reduce borrowers' monthly payments. The Treasury Department says 230,000 homeowners have completed the application process and

received permanent loan modifications. It says another 108,000 have been offered modifications but have not yet accepted them.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: BERNANKE AND THE ECONOMY

Synopsis: Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke heads to Capitol Hill Wednesday with a forecast of some sunshine and a few clouds. The sunny side is the economic recovery is taking hold. The cloud on the horizon is the recovery won't be strong enough to quickly drive down unemployment. Bernanke is likely to warn again that the pace of the recovery will be sluggish because Americans still face formidable obstacles. They include high unemployment, stagnant wages, weak home values, rising foreclosures and hard-to-get credit.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: IMMIGRATION REFORM AND LAW

Synopsis: The Arizona House of Representatives yesterday approved a bill that would meddle in the state to localities in the fight against illegal immigration, although critics say that will do nothing to protect residents. The measure advanced by a vote of 35 to 21. All Republicans supported it and all Democrats opposed it. The Senate had already approved the motion in February but must vote on it again to approve the amendments by the House, before it is sent for signature to the Governor Jan Brewer.

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April 15, 2010

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: TAX PROTEST

Synopsis: Tea party activists streamed into the capital they love to hate on Thursday, carrying signs that read "Don't Tread on Me" and "Follow the Constitution" as they marked tax day -- April 15. On a sun-splashed morning and serenaded by patriotic songs, the protesters gathered at Washington's Freedom Plaza for an 11 a.m. rally. Several wore T-shirts with the date "April 15" and some carried American flags. The Tea Party Express cross-country tour was wrapping up in Washington. Local events are also planned in Oklahoma, Ohio, Wisconsin and other states.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: OBAMA AND NASA

Synopsis: Near the launch pads where U.S. space voyages begin, President Barack Obama will try to reassure workers that America's space adventures sail on despite the coming end of space shuttle flights. And Obama on Thursday will also try to explain why he aborted his predecessor's return-to-the moon plan in favor of a complicated system of public-and-private flights that would go elsewhere in space, with details still to be worked out. It's a tough sell. So Obama is bringing deal sweeteners with him to Kennedy Space Center, pitching work that will save jobs, provide training for others and extend the life of the International Space Station.

Topic: ARIZONA RAIDS

Synopsis: Dozens of federal immigration agents are raiding a Phoenix business that advertises van shuttle services from northern Mexico to cities in Arizona, New Mexico, California, Nevada, Oregon and Washington. The agents converged on Sergio's Shuttle Thursday morning. Another shuttle service a block away was also apparently a target of the raid, with immigration agents and Phoenix police stationed outside. A spokeswoman for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement told The Associated Press the raids were part of an "ongoing investigation into allegations of human smuggling," but wouldn't give other details. A phone call to Sergio's Shuttle was not answered Thursday morning.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: OBAMA AND MINE SAFETY

Synopsis: President Barack Obama on Thursday ordered a sweeping review of coal mines with poor safety records and called on federal officials to strengthen laws "so riddled with loopholes that they allow unsafe conditions to continue." Obama spoke after receiving a preliminary report on last week's deadly mine explosion in West Virginia that suggests the blast may have been caused by a preventable buildup of methane gas mixing with coal dust. The report from Labor Secretary Hilda Solis and mine safety officials cautioned that the specific cause of the blast at the Upper Big Branch mine where 29 workers died is still being determined.

April 16, 2010

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: REID ON IMMIGRATION REFORM

Synopsis: Harry Reid has a message on immigration: If reform doesn't happen this year don't blame him. In recent days the Senate Majority Leader's words on this confrontational issue have been sliced and diced. The senator who most political analysts believe is in a tough re-election fight for his political life made it as clear as he could this week that he wants to bring a comprehensive bill to the floor "this year."

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: CENSUS DEADLINE

Synopsis: This is the end of the first phase of the 2010 census. It is the moment that we hope that everyone would have turned in their forms by mail. April 16th is the deadline. If you put it in a mailbox by April 16th, you have very high assurance that no one will follow up, no census taker will knock on your door to collect the information. Forms are being accepted past that date.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: AZ DROP HOUSE

Synopsis: A home in Avondale, Arizona was raided this Friday morning and one person, who is believed to be a major figure involved in human smuggling, was arrested. Arizona Department of Public Safety (DPS) officers and the task force had been looking for this man since they believe he had something to do with bringing illegal immigrants into the United States. The search warrant was the result of several weeks of investigating, beginning with an initial drop house find.

April 18, 2010

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: AIRLINES FEE FOR CARRY-ON

Synopsis: New York Sen. Charles Schumer says five major airlines have agreed they aren't going to charge passengers for their carry-on bags. Schumer said Sunday he's gotten commitments from American, Delta, JetBlue, United and US Air. He reached out to the companies' CEOs after Spirit Airlines recently announced it would charge up to \$45 for passengers who bring a bag on board and put it in the overhead compartment. He says he plans to meet with the leadership of Spirit Airlines in the coming week.

Duration: 30 sec. Topic: **CENSUS 2010**

Synopsis: From April until July of 2010, 1.4 million census takers will knock on doors of those residents who did not respond to the 2010 Census questionnaire. To prevent the theft of your personal identification, it is best if you become familiar with what these census takers will be asking and how they will be dressed. The badge will not contain a photo ID. The census takers will never ask to come inside residents' homes. The census worker will not ask for a donation, ask for your Social Security number, bank account information, information about credit card accounts or any other financial information.

April 19, 2010

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: CANCER CELLS DISCOVERY

Synopsis: Researchers have found a way to test blood for the cells that spread cancer and said they might be able to use the method to predict whose cancer will come back after treatment. The team at Harvard Medical School and Massachusetts General Hospital used a grant from a non-profit group to develop the test, which they tried out on samples from 20 men with prostate cancer. They found circulating tumor cells in patients with tumors that had not spread, low-grade cancers and in patients who had their prostate glands taken out three months before.

April 20, 2010

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: NEW ARIZONA LAW

Synopsis: Arizona lawmakers approved a sweeping immigration bill Monday intended to ramp up law enforcement efforts even as critics complained it could lead to racial profiling and other abuse. The state Senate voted 17-11 nearly along party lines to send the bill to Gov. Jan Brewer, who has not taken a position on the measure championed by fellow Republicans. The House approved the bill April 13.

Topic: VILLARAIGOSA ANNOUNCES LAYOFFS

Synopsis: Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa is expected to call for the elimination of thousands of positions when he delivers his state of the city speech Tuesday. The mayor's proposed budget calls for laying off about 750 workers, giving others early retirement and eliminating more than 3,500 mostly vacant positions. The city already has laid off more than 100 employees as it struggles to deal with a \$485 million deficit. The City Council must approve the budget and any personnel actions.

April 21, 2010

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: AIR TRAFFIC IN EUROPE

Synopsis: Airliners are gradually reoccupying the skies over Europe after massive disruptions due to ash from an erupting volcano in Iceland. Germany's air traffic controllers say they're gradually reopening the country's airspace today. London's Heathrow airport, Europe's busiest, has also reopened, delivering rays of hope to stranded travelers. Officials say it will be weeks before all stranded travelers can be brought home but with planes flying again passengers have a reason for hope. The International Air Transport Association says disruptions to European air travel from the volcanic ash cloud have cost the industry at least \$1.7 billion.

April 22, 2010

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA ANTIIMMIGRANT BILL

Synopsis: An overwhelming majority of Arizona voters' support a controversial bill that would give state officials broad new powers to arrest people suspected of being illegal immigrants, a new poll finds.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: **HEALTHCARE TAX**

Synopsis: About four 4 million people in the United States will be fined for failing to buy health insurance when the health overhaul law is fully in force in 2016, the Congressional Budget Office forecast on Thursday. Most individuals must buy health insurance under the landmark legislation passed by Congress last month, or face fines that will be phased in. By 2016, those without coverage may be fined up to 2.5 percent of their income.

April 23, 2010

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA BILL LATEST

Synopsis: Gov. Jan Brewer ignored criticism from President Barack Obama on Friday and signed into law a bill supporters said would take handcuffs off police in dealing with illegal immigration in Arizona, the nation's gateway for human and drug smuggling. With hundreds of protesters outside the state Capitol shouting that the bill would lead to civil rights abuses, Brewer said critics were "overreacting" and that she wouldn't tolerate racial profiling.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: OBAMA ON ARIZONA

Synopsis: President Barack Obama called an Arizona immigration law "misguided" Friday and said it could violate people's civil rights, intensifying pressure on the state's Republican governor to veto the nation's toughest legislation against illegal immigration. Obama said he's instructed the Justice Department to examine the Arizona bill to see if it's legal, and said the federal government must enact immigration reform at the national level -- or leave the door open to "irresponsibility by others."

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: IMMIGRATION PROTEST

Synopsis: Some 2,000 people have protested in Phoenix against a tough immigration enforcement measure signed into law today by Arizona Gov. Jan Brewer. Demonstrators say the bill, which makes it a crime under state law to be in the country illegally, will lead to civil rights abuses. The law also requires police officers to question people about their immigration status if there is reason to suspect they are illegal immigrants. Boos erupted at the Capitol from the crowd when it was announced that the governor had opted to sign the legislation despite their protest and President Barack Obama's criticism of the measure.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: LAW AND SECURITY

Synopsis: Civil rights activists have said the bill would lead to racial profiling and deter Hispanics from reporting crimes. Hundreds of Hispanics protested the legislation at the State Capitol complex on Thursday.

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April 24, 2010

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA ENFORCEMENT

Synopsis: Arizona's tough immigration enforcement bill will become law despite being criticized by President Obama as 'misguided." Gov. Jan Brewer signed the bill into law on live television on Friday. It takes effect in 90 days after the current legislative sessions in the next several weeks. Brewer says the law "protects every Arizona citizen." The sweeping legislation makes it a crime under state law to be in the country illegally. It would also require local police officers to question people about their immigration status if there is reason to suspect they are illegally.

Topic: OBAMA AUTOS

Synopsis: President Barack Obama on Saturday cited encouraging signs of an auto industry rebound as he promoted stronger financial rules that he said would help prevent a repeat of the crisis that pushed carmakers to the brink. Senate Democrats have set a test vote Monday on legislation to tighten federal oversight of the financial sector. The auto industry was one of the biggest casualties of a recession fueled by risky lending and speculative trading practices of major financial institutions. But after shedding 400,000 jobs in 2008, bailed-out U.S. automakers are rebounding.

April 25, 2010

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: PROTEST AGAINST LAW

Synopsis: Protests continue against a tough new Arizona immigration law. Thousands of demonstrators are rallying today outside Arizona's Capitol. Opponents of the law say it will lead to police harassment of legal immigrants and U.S. citizens who look Hispanic. Civil rights advocates have vowed to challenge it in court, saying it would undoubtedly lead to racial profiling. The Rev. Al Sharpton says that just as freedom riders battled segregation in the 1960s, he would organize "freedom walkers" to challenge the Arizona bill.

April 26, 2010

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA ANTIIMMIGRANT LAW

Synopsis: The conflict over a sweeping crackdown on illegal immigration in Arizona intensified Monday as vandals smeared refried beans in the shape of swastikas on the state Capitol's windows. More protests were planned Monday after thousands gathered this weekend to demonstrate against a bill that will make it a state crime to be an illegal immigrant in Arizona. Opponents say the law will lead to rampant racial profiling and turn Arizona into a police state with provisions that require police to question people about their immigrant status if they suspect they are here illegally.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: US CONGRESS TO VOTE ON OBAMA'S REFORM

Synopsis: Senate Republicans have blocked Democrats' efforts to begin debate on overhauling the nation's financial regulatory system. The vote was the first Senate showdown on the sweeping legislation. Democrats failed to get the 60 votes Monday needed to begin debate. One Democrat, Sen. Ben Nelson of Nebraska, voted with the Republicans to delay the start of debate. Republicans said they hope to secure a bipartisan compromise on the legislation, which aims to prevent a recurrence of the 2008 financial crisis. Democrats indicated they did not intend to cede much ground and vowed to test the Republican unity with another vote this week.

Topic: VIOLENT VIDEO GAMES

Synopsis: The Supreme Court will decide whether California can ban the sale or rental of violent video games to children. The court on Monday agreed to review a federal court's decision to throw out California's ban on the sale or rental of violent video games to minors. The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Sacramento said the law violated minors' rights under the First and Fourteenth amendments.

April 27, 2010

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: BOYCOTT FOR IMMIGRATION NEW LAW

Synopsis: A spreading call for an economic boycott of Arizona after its adoption of a tough immigration law that opponents consider racially discriminatory worried business leaders on Monday and angered the governor. Several immigrant advocates and civil rights groups, joined by members of the San Francisco government, said the state should pay economic consequences for the new law, which gives the police broad power to detain people they reasonably suspect are illegal immigrants and arrest them on state charges if they do not have legal status. Critics say the law will lead to widespread ethnic and racial profiling and will be used to harass legal residents and Latino citizens.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: **NEW IMMIGRATION LAW REVIEW**

Synopsis: Attorney General Eric Holder said Tuesday that the federal government may challenge Arizona's new law on immigration. The attorney general told reporters that he fears Arizona's new law is subject to potential abuse. The Arizona law requires state law enforcement officials to ask people for documentation if they are suspected to be in the country illegally, and makes it a state crime if they are.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: ADVISORY TO MEXICANS LIVING AND WORKING IN ARIZONA

Synopsis: Mexico's Foreign Ministry on Tuesday issued an advisory to Mexicans living and working in Arizona following the signing of a controversial law to stem illegal immigration in that state. In Arizona "there is a negative political environment for migrant communities and for all Mexican visitors," the advisory states. The new law requires Arizona police to determine whether people are in the United States legally if there is a reason to suspect they aren't.

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April 28, 2010

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: REID AMENDS HIS PLEDGE FOR FAST ACTION ON IMMIGRATION

Synopsis: Senate Majority Leader Harry M. Reid backed off Tuesday from his pledge to fast-track an overhaul of the nation's immigration laws, after fellow Democrats voiced skepticism and a key Republican supporter abandoned the effort. Meanwhile, Attorney General Eric H. Holder Jr. said the Justice Department may sue Arizona over a new state law that authorizes police to question the immigration status of anyone they suspect of being in the country illegally. Reid (D), who is facing a tough reelection battle in his home state of Nevada, surprised the White House and many of his Capitol Hill colleagues April 10 when he said that a broad immigration bill "cannot wait."

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: TEXAS LAW MAKER PLANS AN ANTI-IMMIGRANT LAW ALSO

Synopsis: A Texas lawmaker says she plans to push for a law similar to Arizona's gettough immigration measure. San Antonio Express-News and Houston Chronicle report Wednesday that Republican Rep. Debbie Riddle of Tomball says she will introduce the measure in the January legislative session. The new Arizona law would require local and state law enforcement to question people about their immigration status and make it a crime for immigrants to lack registration documents.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT

Synopsis: A referendum launched Wednesday could put Arizona's tough new law targeting illegal immigration on hold until 2012 if organizers can gather the more than 76,000 signatures needed to get the measure on the ballot. Opponents of the law have until late July or early August to file the signatures -- the same time the law is set to go into effect. If they get enough signatures, the law would be delayed until a vote. But the deadline to put a question on the November ballot is July 1, said Assistant Secretary of State Jim Drake, so it would likely be 2012 before the law went before voters.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: TOYOTA RECALL

Synopsis: Toyota Motor Corp will voluntarily recall about 50,000 Sequoia sport utility vehicles because a glitch in the stability system can cause unexpected acceleration problems, the company said Wednesday.

April 29, 2010

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA NEW LAW LATEST

Synopsis: The American Civil Liberties Union, Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund and the National Immigration Law Center are set to announce in Phoenix on Thursday plans to challenge the measure. U.S. Atty. Gen. Eric Holder said this week that he was considering a possible legal challenge to the law. A Latino clergy group says it will file the first lawsuit challenging Arizona's tough new law targeting illegal

immigration. The National Coalition of Latino Clergy and Christian Leaders plans to file the suit Thursday in federal court in Phoenix.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: IMMIGRATION REFORM LATEST

Synopsis: An Arizona police officer and a Latino group filed the first legal challenges of Arizona's sweeping new law cracking down on illegal immigration Thursday. Fifteen-year Tucson police veteran Martin Escobar argues there's no way for officers to confirm people's immigration status without impeding investigations. The lawsuit, filed Thursday in U.S. District Court in Tucson, alleges the new immigration law violates numerous constitutional rights and could hinder police investigations in Hispanic-prevalent areas.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: CENSUS TAKERS PREPARE TO KNOCK ON DOORS

Synopsis: The next phase of gathering census information begins this weekend, as census takers visit households that have not yet answered the 2010 Census. Census takers will start knocking on doors on Saturday, May 1 and continue through mid-July. In Greenville and Spartanburg counties, about 1,300 census field workers will make the attempt to count everyone, census officials said. The U.S. Census Bureau reports a nationwide participation rate of 72 percent, based on the forms already mailed in. It is estimated that 72 percent of South Carolina households turned in the census, including 76 percent in Greenville County and 72 percent in Spartanburg County.

April 30, 2010

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA LAW LATEST

Synopsis: Arizona lawmakers have responded to sharp criticism of an immigration law by making several changes to the legislation. Critics say the law will result in racial profiling. One change strengthens restrictions on using race or ethnicity as the basis for police questioning.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: OBAMA ON IMMIGRATION

Synopsis: A backlash against a new Arizona law cracking down on illegal immigration is broadening from the political arena to sports and entertainment as opponents filed lawsuits, singers denounced the measure and protesters gathered at an Arizona Diamondbacks baseball game in Chicago. President Barack Obama, who earlier called the Arizona law misguided, said lawmakers may lack the "appetite" to take on immigration while many of them are up for re-election and while another big legislative issue -- climate change -- is already on their plate.

Topic: MAY FIRST PREP

Synopsis: Immigrant rights activists hope a controversial immigration law in Arizona will draw crowds to protest at rallies tomorrow, and add urgency to a plea for federal immigration reform. Dozens of marches are planned in cities across the country. Activists fear other states could pass legislation like Arizona's, which makes it a state crime to be in the United States illegally.

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Airdate: May 1

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: LOS ANGELES IMMIGRATION REFORM

Synopsis: A May Day rally in Los Angeles today put the focus on Arizona's new immigration law. Thousands of people poured into the streets, protesting the law which some critics say will lead to racial profiling. May Day protests were held worldwide today, usually to bring attention to workers' rights, but many of the U-S rallies became protests against Arizona's immigration law and calling for immigration reform.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: MARCH AGAINST 1070

Synopsis: Activists said outrage over Arizona's controversial immigration law "awakened a sleeping giant" Saturday as rallies demanding federal immigration reform kicked off in cities across the country. The state of Arizona has been taking a lot of heat, also facing lawsuits and economic boycotts because of law 1070, which was signed April 23 by Gov. Jan Brewer. Critics say the law will lead to racial profiling but supporters defend it as a national security issue.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: NEW YORK IMMIGRATION MARCHES

Synopsis: New York City also participated in the May 1st marches on Saturday. An organizer of one rally in that city says anger over the Arizona law is what brought more than 5,000 people to Manhattan's Foley Square. Others say that same anger could draw tens of thousands to rallies in dozens of cities.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: CHICAGO IMMIGRATION MARCHES

Synopsis: An annual Workers Day march in Chicago turned into an anti-Arizona event Saturday as participants railed against that state's new immigration law directing police to check suspected illegal immigrants for proof of legal residency. Police estimated 8,000 protesters - about four times the number who attended last year's May Day event. Organizers attributed the large Chicago turnout to anger over the Arizona law.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: PROTEST IN TEXAS

Synopsis: Police estimated Houston's crowd at about 7,000, rallied against the passage of Arizona's controversial immigration law. The Houston attendance was substantially smaller than the May 1st march in Dallas, where 20,000 people participated. In Houston, police said the march was peaceful despite about 50 counter-protesters stationed along the route with signs reading "No Amnesty" and "Enforce the Law."

Topic: PROTEST IN WHITE HOUSE

Synopsis: In Washington, Representative Luis V. Gutierrez, Democrat - Illinois, was arrested after staging a sit-in on the sidewalk in front of the White House with about three dozen other people, in front of a crowd of thousands. Gutierrez made good on his pledge to get arrested during the May 1st immigration rally in Washington, D.C. The congressman was charged with a misdemeanor for "failure to obey a lawful order from a U.S. Park policeman" and was ordered to pay a small fine of between \$50 and \$100.

Airdate: May 2

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: PRESIDENT OBAMA CONGRATULATES NY AUTHORITIES ON FAILED BOMB ATTACK

Synopsis: U.S. President Barack Obama commended the "quick action" by New York police in dealing with an apparent failed car bomb that prompted an evacuation of New York's Times Square on Saturday night. The President said that his administration would do whatever necessary to find those responsible for the failed terrorist attempt to blow up a car bomb.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: PRESIDENT OBAMA VISITS LOUSIANA

Synopsis: Sunday, Obama traveled to Louisiana for a visit to the Gulf Coast and a firsthand update on the massive spill that threatens to bring catastrophic environmental and economic damage in its wake. The underwater spill remained unstopped and impossible to measure, raising fears it could be pouring more oil into the Gulf than earlier believed.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: DON'T ASK, DON'T TELL PROTEST AT WHITE HOUSE

Synopsis: A small group of gay and lesbian protesters handcuffed themselves to the White House gates to demand that President Obama keep his promise to repeal "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" this year. The activists are concerned about mounting signs that the President is wavering on his promise to push for repeal this year.

Topic: NY AUTORITIES SAYS NO EVIDENCE RELATING TALIBAN WITH FAILED ATTACK

Synopsis: New York Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly Sunday said there is no evidence to support the claim by a Pakistani Taliban commander that he was behind Saturday's failed car bomb attempt on Times Square. A car bomb was defused in New York's Times Square on Saturday evening.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: CALL FOR ARIZONA ECONOMIC BOYCOTT

Synopsis: The state has become the target of calls for boycotts since adopting a law that requires local and state law enforcement officers to question people about their immigration status. Calls for a boycott of the state have expanded from Latinos in Arizona cities and organizations around the country and are also including sports teams like the Arizona Diamondbacks.

Airdate: May 3

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: FUSION UNITED - CONTINENTAL

Synopsis: United Airlines has agreed to buy Continental in a \$3 billion-plus deal that would create the world's largest carrier with a commanding position in several top U.S. cities. The new United would surpass Delta Air Lines in size, which should help it attract more high-fare business travelers. It will fly to 370 destinations in 59 countries. The companies insisted the deal is a merger of equals. But United shareholders will hold a majority stake, the airline will be based in United's hometown of Chicago and it will be called United. It would be run by current Continental CEO Jeffery Smisek, however.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: LATEST W/ N.Y. BOMB TERROR THREAT

Synopsis: Attorney General Eric Holder said Monday there is no question that the person or persons behind the failed bombing attempt in Times Square intended to spread terror across New York. Investigators have some good leads in addition to the videotape of a middle-aged man who could be seen shedding his shirt near the SUV where the bomb was found, the attorney general said in remarks to reporters. Holder said it is too early in the probe to say whether the incident was of foreign or domestic origin and that it was too early to designate it as a terrorist incident.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: BP SAYS IT WILL PAY FOR GULF SPILL'S CLEANUP

Synopsis: BP PLC said Monday that it will pay for all the cleanup costs from a massive oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico that could continue spewing crude for at least another week. The company posted a fact sheet on its website saying it took responsibility for the response to the Deepwater Horizon spill and would pay compensation for legitimate claims for property damage, personal injury and commercial losses.

Topic: 9 ACCUSED OF PLOTTING WAR ON US CAN POST BOND

Synopsis: A federal judge says nine members of a Michigan-based militia accused of trying to plot war against the government can be released from jail on bond. U.S. District Judge Victoria Roberts on Monday overturned the April 2 decision of a federal magistrate judge. She says all can be released with electronic monitoring devices and other strict conditions.

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Airdate: May 4

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: SUSPECTED NY BOMBER A MARRIED FINANCIAL ANALYST

Synopsis: U.S. authorities suspect Faisal Shahzad drove a car bomb into New York's Times Square on Saturday with the intention of killing as many people as possible in one of the busiest places in the country. Here are some facts about Shahzad: Shahzad was born in June 1979 in Pabbi, in the Kashmir region of northwest Pakistan. He recently visited Pakistan for about five months, returning to the United States in February, sources said. Shahzad became a naturalized U.S. citizen last year, U.S. officials said. Shahzad received militant training in northwest Pakistan near the garrison town of Kohat, an intelligence official in Pakistan said. The area around Kohat is a stronghold of Tariq afridi, the main Taliban commander in the region.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: SUSPECT ADMITTED ROLE IN NYC FAILED BOMB

Synopsis: Attorney General Eric Holder says the suspect in the failed Times Square car bombing has admitted his role in the nearly catastrophic attack. Faisal Shahzad, a naturalized U.S. citizen from Pakistan, is under arrest for the failed bombing. Holder says Shahzad is talking to investigators and has provided valuable information. Holder says Shahzad will face terrorism and weapons of mass destruction charges.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: MAYOR CAN'T CHALLENGE AZ IMMIGRATION LAW

Synopsis: Proposed legal challenge to Arizona's new immigration law took a hit Monday when the Phoenix city attorney said Mayor Phil Gordon doesn't have the power to target the law without the support of the City Council. Gordon was hoping to file a lawsuit to stop the law requiring local and state law enforcement officers to question people about their immigration status if there's reason to suspect they're in the country illegally. After failing to gather enough support from City Council members, Gordon had claimed he could file a lawsuit without their approval.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: MORE VICTIMS FEARED AS TENN. FLOODWATERS RECEDE

Synopsis: Rescuers feared even more bodies would emerge as muddy flood waters ebb from torrential weekend rains that swamped Nashville, much of Tennessee and two neighboring states, leaving at least 29 dead. The Cumberland River that has submerged parts of Nashville's historic downtown was expected to start receding Tuesday after being swollen by flash floods in creeks that feed into it. Residents and authorities know

they'll find widespread property damage in inundated areas, but dread even more devastating discoveries.

Airdate: May 5

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: TERRORIST INVESTIGATION LATEST

Synopsis: Investigators questioned the suspected Times Square bomber hoping to uncover links he might have had to foreign militant groups, delaying his first appearance before a U.S. judge, possibly beyond Wednesday. Faisal Shahzad, 30, who was born in Pakistan and became a U.S. citizen last year, is accused of trying to kill and maim people with a car bomb in the heart of Manhattan on Saturday night. Formally charged with five terrorism-related counts, he faces life in prison if convicted.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: TPS EXTENSION FOR HONDURANS AND NICARAGUANS

Synopsis: The "Temporary" Protected Status for a total of about 70,000 Honduran and Nicaraguan illegal aliens, which was set to expire in July, has been extended till January of 2012. You know when they were first given this "temporary" amnesty? Almost 11 years ago. Only in Washington, where \$1 billion is chump change and terrorism is a "man-caused disaster," would 11 years be considered temporary.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT LAWSUITS

Synopsis: The Tucson and Flagstaff city councils voted Tuesday to sue Arizona over its tough new immigration law, citing concerns about enforcement costs and negative effects on the state's tourism industry. They are the first municipalities in Arizona to approve legal challenges to the law. Earlier this week, proposed litigation in Phoenix took a hit when the city attorney said Mayor Phil Gordon lacks the authority to file suit without the support of the City Council. The new state law requires local and state law enforcement officers to question people about their immigration status if there is reason to suspect they're in the country illegally.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OBAMA 5 DE MAYO IMMIGRATION

Synopsis: President Barack Obama says he wants to begin work this year on legislation overhauling the nation's immigration system. Obama's comments Wednesday at a Cinco de Mayo celebration at the White House reaffirmed his long-held support for immigration reform. He went a step further than he has in the past by calling for the work to begin this year.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: TERROR HEARING

Synopsis: The government is now requiring airlines to check no-fly lists within two hours of being notified of list updates - a move aimed at preventing known terror suspects from boarding airplanes - as the man accused in the Times Square bombing attempt did. Faisal Shahzad, who prosecutors say tried to blow up an SUV in Times Square on Saturday evening, was added to the no-fly list early Monday afternoon, only hours before

he boarded an Emirates flight bound to Dubai. When updates are made to the no-fly list, notifications are sent to airlines instructing them to check the updated list.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis: A 12-man crew is making final preparations to take a 100-ton contraption to the Gulf of Mexico to help funnel out oil spewing from the bottom of the sea. The 280-foot supply boat Joe Griffin was docked at Port Fourchon on Wednesday, but is expected to head out as early as late afternoon to the leak site about 50 miles off the Louisiana coast. The giant-concrete-and-steel box aboard the Joe Griffin is the best short-term solution to bottling up the disastrous oil spill.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: TYLENOL CONTAMINATION

Synopsis: U.S. inspectors found thick dust and contaminated ingredients at the Johnson & Johnson plant that produces Children's Tylenol and dozens of other products that were recalled last week. A Food and Drug Administration report released on Tuesday said its inspectors found thick dust and grime covering certain equipment, a hole in the ceiling and duct tape-covered pipes at the Fort Washington, Pennsylvania, facility that made 40 products recalled last Friday.

Airdate: May 6

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: IMMIGRANT RAIDS IN PHOENIX

Synopsis: Police in Phoenix, Arizona busted a business where they believe several illegal immigrants were working. The bust happened Thursday morning at Laser Masters. Maricopa County Sheriffs officials say this is part of a six month investigation. Someone called in a tip that several illegal immigrants were working at the company. Undercover investigation deputies say that 35 workers were working with stolen IDs. The arrests come after a big debt over immigration legislation that was just signed by Governor Jan Brewer. Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio has also been critizied for his support of the immigration legislation.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: PAMPERS SAFETY INVESTIGATION

Synopsis: Government safety officials are looking into a handful of reports of severe rashes caused by new types of Pampers diapers. The Consumer Product Safety Commission started an investigation this week following complaints of babies and toddlers suffering severe and persistent diaper rashes and blisters that resemble chemical burns. In March, Procter & Gamble launched new versions of its Swaddlers and Cruisers diapers in the U.S. The thinner diapers use the company's Dry Max technology to replace the paper pulp previously used. Parents' groups blame the change for skin problems.

Airdate: May 7

Topic: LETTUCE RECALL

Synopsis: A food company is recalling lettuce sold in 23 states and the District of Columbia because of an E. coli outbreak that has sickened at least 19 people, three of them with life-threatening symptoms. The Food and Drug Administration said Thursday that 12 people had been hospitalized and the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said it was looking at 10 other cases probably linked to the outbreak. Freshway Foods of Sidney, Ohio, said it was recalling romaine lettuce sold under the Freshway and Imperial Sysco brands because of a possible link to the E. coli outbreak.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: SANCTUARY-IMMIGRATION IN SAN FRANCISCO

Synopsis: San Francisco officials are about to lose the ability to decide which criminal suspects who may also be undocumented immigrants should be reported to federal officials, The Chronicle has learned. Starting next month, the San Francisco County Jail must begin participating in an automated reporting system set up by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. The program, Secure Communities, automatically links the fingerprint databases of state justice departments with a database used by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Agency, known as ICE.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: TOYOTA RECALL

Synopsis: Consumer Reports magazine is lifting a "Don't Buy" recommendation for a Lexus sport utility vehicle that failed an emergency handling test. The magazine said Friday that the 2010 Lexus GX 460 luxury SUV passed the test after a dealership updated software that runs its electronic stability control system. Toyota Motor Corp. recalled about 10,000 of the SUVs in the United States in April after the magazine told readers not to buy them. The automaker also stopped selling them. Consumer Reports said the rear of the GX 460 slid sideways when testers lifted their feet off the gas pedal during a high-speed turn on the magazine's test track. The magazine told readers not to buy the SUV because its rear wheels could slide into a curb or off the pavement, raising the risk of rolling over.

Airdate: May 8 Duration 30 sec.

Topic: LOAN MODIFICATIONS SCAMS

Synopsis: Days after a federal economic stability agency said the Obama administration's mortgage assistance program was vulnerable to fraud, a coalition of federal, state and community organizations launched a new campaign to fight that fraud. The Loan Modification Scam Prevention Network announced a national campaign to prevent loan modification rip-offs and other scams. The group plans public education, complaint reporting services and coordination with local, state, and federal enforcement agencies to thwart scammers and come-ons that prey on homeowners struggling with mortgages.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: **NEVADA ARPAIO PROTEST**

Synopsis: About 200 protesters squared off with Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio (ar-PY'-oh) over Arizona's tough new immigration law before he spoke to a conservative group in Las Vegas. For about 20 minutes Friday, the sheriff of the county that includes Phoenix stood just feet from protesters outside Stoney's Rockin' Country bar and dance hall as they yelled "Arpaio go home!" and "Racist!". The Arizona law mirrors many of the policies Arpaio has put into place in the Phoenix area. Las Vegas police Lt. Dan McGrath says about 25 officers were at the scene as a precaution.

Airdate: May 9

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OBAMA SPEECH TODAY

Synopsis: President Barack Obama, addressing graduates at historically black Hampton University on Sunday, said that it is the responsibility of all Americans to offer every child the type of education that will make them competitive in an economy in which just a high school diploma is no longer enough. Obama told the nearly 1,100 graduates assembled in the university's sun-splashed Armstrong Stadium that they have the added responsibility of being role models and mentors in their communities.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: NYC TERROR PROBE

Synopsis: Saying they obtained new evidence, senior White House officials said Sunday that the Pakistani Taliban were behind the failed Times Square bombing. The attempt marks the first time the group has been able to launch an attack on U.S. soil. And while U.S. officials have downplayed the threat -- citing the bomb's lack of sophistication -- the incident in Times Square and Christmas Day airline bomber indicate growing strength by overseas terrorist groups linked to al-Qaida even as the CIA says their operations are seriously degraded.

Duration: 30 sec. Topic: **GAS PRICES**

Synopsis: The average price of regular gasoline in the United States has jumped more than 7 cents over a two-week period to \$2.92. That's according to the national Lundberg Survey of fuel prices released Sunday. Analyst Trilby Lundberg says the average price for a gallon of mid-grade was \$3.05. Premium was at \$3.16. Denver had the lowest average price among cities surveyed at \$2.71 a gallon for regular unleaded. Chicago was highest at \$3.22. The average for diesel nationwide was \$3.15, up about 7 cents from two weeks ago.

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Airdate: May 10

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA LAW FOLLOW UP

Synopsis: Pima County Sheriff Clarence Dupnik spoke out against Senate Bill 1070 Wednesday. The often outspoken Sheriff is not holding back when it comes to the law."I think it's simply political fornickaboobery," Dupnik said. Whatever "fornickaboobery" means, Dupnik was quite clear in saying he does not like the law. "I think the law, as I have said is unwise, it's stupid, and it's racist," Dupnik said. He says officers already have the authority to arrest illegal immigrants and turn them over to Border Patrol. With the passage of S.B. 1070, the office could be sued both for not enforcing it and also for racial profiling. "We're damned if we do and we're damned if we don't," Dupnik said.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OBAMA-KAGAN NOMINATION

Synopsis: U.S. President Barack Obama nominated Solicitor General Elena Kagan for the U.S. Supreme Court on Monday, calling her fair-minded, a consensus-builder and one of the country's best legal minds. Kagan, known as a relative liberal must now be confirmed by the U.S. Senate. If confirmed, she is not expected to change the ideological balance of the court, which considers contentious social issues and is the final adjudicator on all questions about the U.S. Constitution.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL CHEMICALS

Synopsis: The U.S. Department of Defense released video on Monday that shows C-130 aircraft spraying chemical dispersant from the sky above the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. The crews departed from Stennis International Airport in Mississippi on Thursday (May 6) and flew to an offshore location, where a long brown line of oil stretched for miles along the water's surface. The planes, equipped with special nozzles, sprayed gallons of chemicals designed to break up the oil in the water. An explosion of the Deepwater Horizon drilling rig on April 20 caused the massive crude oil slick in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico. The explosion killed 11 workers and sank the rig. Since the accident, the BP well has been gushing an estimated 5,000 barrels of crude per day into the gulf. Efforts to cap the well have been unsuccessful.

Airdate: May 11

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis: Lamar McKay, president and chairman of BP America Inc, and David Nagel, Executive Vice President of BP America, wait to testify as people protest behind them during a Senate hearing on Capitol Hill on May 11, 2010. Congress called BP and its drilling partners to account Tuesday for a "cascade of failures" behind the spreading Gulf oil spill, zeroing in on a crucial chain of events at the deep-sea wellhead just before an explosion consumed the rig and set off the catastrophic rupture. In back-to-back Senate inquiries, lawmakers chastised executives of the three companies at the heart of the massive spill over attempts to shift the blame to each other. And they were asked to explain why better preparations had not been made to head off the accident."Let me be

really clear," Lamar McKay, chairman of BP America, told the hearing. "Liability, blame, fault -- put it over here." He said: "Our obligation is to deal with the spill, clean it up and make sure the impacts of that spill are compensated, and we're going to do that."

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: **NEW GREEN CARD**

Synopsis: U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) announced today that it has redesigned the Permanent Resident Card - commonly known as the "Green Card" - to incorporate several major new security features. The Green Card redesign is the latest advance in USCIS's ongoing efforts to deter immigration fraud. State-of-the-art technology incorporated into the new card prevents counterfeiting, obstructs tampering, and facilitates quick and accurate authentication. Beginning today, USCIS will issue all Green Cards in the new, more secure format.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: PUSHING DREAM ACT-TRAIL OF DREAMS KIDS

Synopsis: Valerie Jarrett, Senior Advisor for President Barack Obama, met with four immigrant students who walked 1,500 miles from Miami, Florida to Washington, DC to call for an end to the deportation of students qualifying for the DREAM Act. Armed with more than 40,000 petition signatures gathered in the course of their 4 month journey, the students stressed to Ms. Jarrett the urgent need for President Obama to issue an executive order that would immediately stop detentions and deportations of undocumented students like them. The immigrant students from the Trail of DREAMs, Gaby Pacheco, 25; Carlos Roa, 22; Felipe Matos, 24; and Juan Rodriguez, 20, left Miami on January 1, 2010 and arrived to Washington, DC on April 28. For the past weeks, they have been trying to obtain a meeting with President Obama and decided to meet with Ms. Valerie Jarrett to insist in their request of meeting with the President of the only nation they know as home, the United States.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: PROTESTS AGAINST ICE

Synopsis: A speech by Homeland Security chief Janet Napolitano at the Pomona College graduation drew demonstrators protesting Arizona's new immigration law."Wherever (Napolitano) and others who continue to support shameful immigration policies go, we're going to be there demanding change," Gerber told the marchers just before leaving for his graduation Sunday morning. During Napolitano's speech Sunday, protesters chanted "Si, se puede!" (Yes, we can). Protesters say they're upset Napolitano, the former governor of Arizona, wants to expand Bush-era immigration policies they say violate due process rights.

Airdate: May 12

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: BOYCOTT AGAINST ARIZONA

Synopsis: Los Angeles was poised to become the largest city yet to boycott Arizona over its tough new law targeting illegal immigration in a move that likely would affect some \$8 million in contracts with the state. The resolution being considered Wednesday by the City Council would bar Los Angeles from conducting business with Arizona unless the

law is repealed. The proposal could affect investments and contracts worth as much as \$52 million, including contracts for airport, harbor and trucking services, according to a report from the city's chief legislative analyst

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA ANTI ETHNIC STUDIES

Synopsis: A bill that aims to ban ethnic studies in Arizona schools was signed into law Tuesday by Gov. Jan Brewer, cheering critics who called such classes divisive and alarming others who said it's yet another law targeting Latinos in the state. The move comes less than 20 days after Brewer signed a controversial immigration bill that has caused widespread protests against the state. The governor's press office did not return requests for comment Tuesday evening. The bill bans schools from teaching classes that are designed for students of a particular ethnic group, promote resentment or advocate ethnic solidarity over treating pupils as individuals. The bill also bans classes that promote the overthrow of the U.S. government.

Airdate: May 13

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: LEADERS MEET WITH MCCAIN FOR IMMIGRATION REFORM

Synopsis: An "emergency delegation" of Bishops and prominent religious leaders from Arizona will fly to Washington on Thursday to ask Sen. John McCain and White House officials to set politics aside and take immediate action on comprehensive immigration reform. The Arizona faith leaders will be available for media interviews following their meeting with Sen. John McCain, who has the power to move reform forward.

Airdate: May 14

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: IMMIGRATION LAW IN ARIZONA

Synopsis: Arizona's governor says she's forming a task force to help counter public criticism of the state's new illegal immigration bill. The task force, made up of tourism officials and business leaders, will try to help boost Arizona's struggling tourism industry—in light of what Governor Jan Brewer calls "mistruths" about the new law. The law requires police to check a person's immigration status if they have "reasonable suspicion" they are an illegal immigrant. Critics are concerned it could lead to racial profiling. But the governor says that's not the case, and that the law prohibits racial profiling.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: IMMIGRATION LATEST

Synopsis: Arizona's enactment of the harshest immigration control measure in the country has re-ignited a national debate over comprehensive immigration reform. Opposition to the law has come from across the political and community spectrum-from faith leaders to the Major League Baseball Players Association; from immigration and civil rights advocates who fear the law relies on racial profiling, to the leaders of cities

and states who understand the severe consequences if an Arizona-type model were to be copied in their locales.

Airdate: May 15

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: **OBAMA ECONOMY**

Synopsis: Closer watch over Wall Street will help consumers make better informed choices about investing and shine light on the shadowy deals that caused the financial crisis, President Barack Obama said Saturday in pushing Congress to pass overhaul legislation. In his weekly radio and Internet address, Obama said the bill also would curb predatory lending practices, prevent banks from taking on too much risk and give shareholders more of a say. The Senate is debating the broadest rewrite of the rules governing Wall Street since the Great Depression. A final vote is possible as early as the coming week. The bill would then have to be merged with the House's version.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: 1070 REAX IN FLORIDA

Synopsis: In the state of Florida, there are immigrants from a diversity of countries, and even though they live and work legally they fear the SB 1070 law may kill millions of families' American dreams.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: PALIN BREWER IMMIGRATION

Synopsis: Former vice presidential candidate Sarah Palin is calling on Americans to declare "we are all Arizonans" and support the state's tough crackdown on illegal immigrants. Palin appeared with Arizona Gov. Jan Brewer at a brief news conference in Phoenix today. The former Alaska governor says there is "a great deal of misinformation" about Arizona's law and that fears of racial profiling are unfounded.

Airdate: May 16

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: IMMIGRATION ARIZONA RALLY

Synopsis: A few hundred immigration activists descended Sunday on Pomona College to protest Arizona's controversial anti-illegal immigration law and the policies of commencement speaker Janet Napolitano, secretary of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Demonstrators said Napolitano has continued to expand immigration programs that they say were precursors to Arizona's law, which requires police officers to check the immigration status of anybody they stop and suspect may be in the United States illegally.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA IMMIGRATION

Synopsis: Former Alaska Governor Sarah Palin returned to Phoenix, Arizona Saturday as the keynote speaker for the Arizona Sportsmen for Wildlife Conservations Second

Annual Heritage Banquet. Before the event she met with Arizona governor Jan Brewer to launch a national effort and website to educate America on border security and encourage support for Arizona.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: CELL PHONE AND CANCER

Synopsis: Cell phone users worried about getting brain cancer aren't off the hook yet. A major international study into the link between cell phone use and two types of brain cancer has proved inconclusive, according to a report due to be published in a medical journal Tuesday. A 10-year survey of almost 13,000 participants found most cell phone use didn't increase the risk of developing meningioma -- a common and frequently benign tumor -- or glioma -- a rarer but deadlier form of cancer.

Airdate: May 17

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: MEDICAL STUDY-ASTHMA

Synopsis: A burger and fries are not only bad for the waistline, they might also exacerbate asthma, a new study suggests. Patients with asthma who ate a high-fat meal had increased inflammation in their airways soon afterward, and did not respond as well to treatment as those who ate a low-fat meal, the researchers found. The results provide more evidence that environmental factors, such as diet, can influence the development of asthma, which has increased dramatically in recent years in westernized countries where high-fat diets are common. In 2007, about 34.1 million Americans had asthma, according to the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology. From 1980 through 1994, the prevalence of asthma increased 75 percent.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA LAW LATEST

Synopsis: The American Civil Liberties Union and a coalition of civil rights groups filed a class action lawsuit today in the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona challenging Arizona's new law requiring police to demand "papers" from people they stop who they suspect are not authorized to be in the U.S. The extreme law, the coalition charged, invites the racial profiling of people of color, violates the First Amendment and interferes with federal law. The coalition filing the lawsuit includes the ACLU, MALDEF, National Immigration Law Center (NILC), the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), ACLU of Arizona, National Day Laborer Organizing Network (NDLON) and the Asian Pacific American Legal Center (APALC) - a member of the Asian American Center for Advancing Justice.

Airdate: May 18

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OILL SPILL HEADING TO FLORIDA KEYS

Synopsis: University scientists are forecasting that oil from the spill off Louisiana could reach Florida's Key West by Sunday. University of South Florida researchers said Tuesday the southern arm of the massive spill has entered or is near the so-called loop current, which circulates in the Gulf and takes water south to the Florida Keys and the Gulf Stream. The Gulf Stream could eventually take the oil up Florida's Atlantic coast. Twenty tar balls were found by the Coast Guard off Key West on Monday. They are being tested to see if they came from the Louisiana spill or elsewhere. Tar balls can occur naturally or come from other sources such as ships. USF scientists use currents, wind forecasts and other elements to make their predictions.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: POSTPARTUM DEPRESSION IN MEN

Synopsis: There has been such a surge in male postpartum depression that the Journal of the American Medical Association is releasing one of the first studies on the phenomenon today. About 10 percent of women experience severe postpartum depression, but few have studied its effect on men. As many as one in four new dads may experience what's called "parental postnatal depression," and the problem can be more than just psychological. Men can have increased estrogen and decreased testosterone levels after birth. Some biologists say this may be nature's way of keeping men around to care for the baby, but those hormone changes can also cause the blues.

Airdate: May 19

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: COSTA MESA, CALIFORNIA INMIGRATION

Synopsis: Striking back at so-called sanctuary cities, the Costa Mesa City Council declared itself a "Rule of Law" city, setting itself up as a lightning rod in the latest wave of debate over immigration reform, it was reported today. The vote came last night at the urging of Mayor Allan Mansoor, who was condemned by the Orange County branch of the Anti-Defamation League in April when he called for city efforts to help enforce immigration laws. In 2005, Mansoor proposed training Costa Mesa police to enforce federal immigration laws, and that touched off a debate that culminated in a First Amendment lawsuit.

Airdate: May 20

Duration: 30 sec. Topic: **OIL SPILL**

Synopsis: Gov. Charlie Crist has added seven counties on Florida's southwest and southeast coasts to a state of emergency declaration due to the Gulf of Mexico oil spill. Crist on Thursday added Charlotte, Lee, Collier, Monroe, Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach counties. They join 19 Gulf Coast counties stretching from Pensacola to

Tampa Bay that Crist previously declared to be in a state of emergency. The new order cites reports of oil from the spill entering what's known as the loop current, which could take it around Florida's southern tip and up the Atlantic Coast.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: INMIGRATION NEW CRACKDOWN

Synopsis: In the midst of an outcry over illegal immigration and Arizona's new crackdown, a top Department of Homeland Security official visiting Chicago on Wednesday said his agency intended to step up enforcement in places such as Illinois. John Morton, who heads U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, said his agency intends to expand the Secure Communities initiative, which gives police and sheriff's departments access to a Homeland Security database that includes fingerprints. The initiative recently grew to include most of Chicago's suburbs. Morton, a former prosecutor, also said the agency intends to increase scrutiny of employers who knowingly hire illegal immigrants.

Airdate: May 21

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: TOUGHER LENDING LAW

Synopsis: The financial overhaul bills from the House and Senate need to be blended into one but it will produce a law that's tougher on both borrowers and lenders. Home buyers won't be able to get a mortgage without producing pay stubs or other evidence they can make the payments. A new consumer watchdog will police lenders who offer impossible-to-resist subprime mortgages and then jack up the interest rates.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: JORNALEROS OYSTER BAY

Synopsis: A federal judge issued an order today barring enforcement of an Oyster Bay, New York ordinance that violates day laborers' constitutional right to free speech. As a result of the order, day laborers whose livelihoods were threatened because of the law can exercise their First Amendment rights and go back to soliciting work immediately without being ticketed or fined.

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Airdate: May 22 Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis: BP PLC officials say that if their high-stakes attempt to plug the leaking Gulf of Mexico well by injecting heavy drilling mud into it fails they will likely try to cap it with a small containment dome. BP Chief Operating Officer Doug Suttles said Monday engineers were working furiously to prepare to launch the massive "top kill" maneuver Wednesday. But Suttles says it's not a guaranteed success and crews are already working on a backup plan to fit a small dome atop the leaking well and then pump the oil to the surface.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL COMMISSION

Synopsis: President Barack Obama Saturday blamed the massive Gulf of Mexico oil spill on "a breakdown of responsibility" at energy giant BP PIC as he officially unveiled a commission to investigate the disaster. The company's next planned step is a "top kill" pumping heavy fluids and then cement into the gushing well to plug it.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: TEXAS SCHOOL SOCIAL STUDIES TEXTBOOKS

Synopsis: The Texas state school board gave final approval Friday to controversial social studies standards that minimize the separation of church and state and say that America is not a democracy but a "constitutional republic." These change passed in a series of 9 to 5 votes. But the seven-member conservative bloc on the board successfully pushed through changes that they said restored balance after what they called years of liberal bias in history education.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: SALMONELLA SCARE IN CALIFORNIA

Synopsis: California-based Caldwell Fresh Foods recalled alfalfa sprouts after salmonella sickened 20 people. "We found that FDA was hampered in its ability to carry out some food safety responsibilities oversight of food labels, fresh produce, and dietary supplements because it lacked certain scientific information," Lisa Shames, director of Natural Resources and Environment for GAO, wrote in a letter accompanying the report. The GAO, the investigative arm of Congress, said the FDA had tried to meet some of its recommendations but needed to do more.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: DEPORTATION AFFECTS FAMILY OF DISABLED

Synopsis: An immigrant man is deported by Phoenix Sherriff Joe Arpaio, while his family calls for his return since his two kids are deaf and he is the only person that can communicate with them. The children's mother does not read or write and cannot speak to her kids nor can she visit her husband in jail since she is not in this country legally.

Airdate: May 23

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis: The U.S. government threatened Sunday to remove BP from efforts to seal a blown-out oil well in the Gulf of Mexico if it doesn't do enough to stop the leak, though it acknowledged only the company and the oil industry have the needed know-how. The Coast Guard said that over 65 miles of Gulf Coast has experienced "shoreline impact" from the spill and less than half of it could be cleaned up relatively quickly, underscoring the growing ecological toll of the disaster.

Topic: LA BOYCOTT MARCH IN ARIZONA

Synopsis: Hundreds of people in Los Angeles are getting ready to march in Arizona. They will march without their documents or identifications to boycott the SB1070 anti-immigrant legislation. The march is scheduled to take place on Saturday, March 29 in

Phoenix, Arizona.

Airdate: May 24

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: CRIME RATES DOWN FOR THIRD YEAR, DESPITE RECESSION

Synopsis: Crime in the United States dropped dramatically in 2009, bucking a historical trend that links rising crime rates to economic woes. Property crimes and violent offenses each declined about 5 percent, the FBI said Monday, citing reports from law enforcement coast to coast. It was the third straight year of declines, and this year's drops were even steeper than those of 2007 and 2008, despite the recession.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: WHITE HOUSE EYES A COMPROMISE ON GAYS IN MILITARY

Synopsis: A proposal to step up the repeal of the ban on gays and lesbians serving openly in the military but still allow the Pentagon time -- perhaps even years -- to implement new policies was being discussed Monday by administration officials and gay rights activists. The White House had hoped lawmakers would delay action until Pentagon officials had completed their study so fellow Democrats would not face criticism that they moved too quickly or too far ahead of public opinion in this election year. Instead, administration officials now expect Congress to move ahead this week even though advocates on both sides say it's not clear there are enough votes to lift the 1993 ban.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: BP CEO INSPECTS LOUISIANA BEACH STAINED BY GULF OIL

Synopsis: The chief executive of BP PLC walked the oil-stained sands of a closed Louisiana beach as workers in white coveralls and yellow boots tended to equipment being used to keep away crude gushing into the Gulf of Mexico. CEO Tony Hayward talked with the workers Monday at Fourchon Beach while the crews tended to booms meant to soak up the oil from the Deepwater Horizon disaster.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: HEALTH DEPARTMENT REPORTS MOST SUCCESSFUL NICOTINE PATCH AND GUM GIVEAWAY TO DATE; LAUNCHES NEW ANTI-TOBACCO TV AD

Synopsis: New York City's Nicotine Patch and Gum Giveaway Program enrolled more than 40,000 smokers in 2010, nearly one and a half times more than last year's enrollment of 28,000 smokers, the Health Department reported today. Following the most successful giveaway program since its inception in 2003, the Health Department continues its anti-tobacco efforts with the launch of a new television spot today.

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Airdate: May 25

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: DON'T ASK, DON'T TELL POLICY

Synopsis: The White House is talking with gay rights activists, lawmakers and Pentagon officials about a push to hasten the repeal of a ban on gays and lesbians serving openly in the military. The group was meeting Monday at the White House to discuss a faster pace to end the Clinton-era ban on openly gay service members. Lawmakers are expected to introduce legislation this week that would repeal the "don't ask, don't tell" policy this year sooner than expected -- although implementation would have to await a Defense Department review. If Congress approves the repeal, it would still take several years before gays and lesbians could serve openly while the Pentagon writes a policy based on its review.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: INMIGRATION LAW LATEST

Synopsis: On May 29, 2010 people of conscience from throughout the United States and Phoenix will march in the tens of thousands to the State Capitol to demand justice in the face of state-sanctioned discrimination and hate. They will demand that President Obama stand on the right side of history and take immediate and concrete action to stop SB1070.

Airdate: May 26

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: BALLOT MEASURES PROPOSED ON ARIZ. IMMIGRATION LAW

Synopsis: Initial filings have been made proposing two separate ballot measures on Arizona's tough new law cracking down on illegal immigration, but there's no immediate indication that either has enough backing to reach the ballot. A referendum filing Wednesday proposes a public vote on keeping or repealing the law. An initiative filing Tuesday proposes repealing most of the law, changing one part and temporarily prohibiting legislators from enacting new laws related to immigration status. Qualifying the referendum for the Nov. 2 ballot requires filing at least 76,682 voter signatures by July 28, while qualifying the initiative requires filing 153,365 voter signatures by July 1.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: POLICE CHIEFS VOICE CONCERNS TO ATTORNEY GENERAL ABOUT ARIZONA LAW

Synopsis: Arizona's new immigration law and similar proposals in other states would lead to an increase in crime, some police chiefs from around the country told Attorney General Eric Holder in an hour-long meeting Wednesday. The chiefs told the attorney general that having to determine whether a person is in the United States illegally will break down the trust that police have built in communities and will divert law enforcement resources away from fighting crime. If that happens, "we will be unable to do our jobs," said Los Angeles Police Chief Charlie Beck. "Laws like this will actually increase crime, not decrease crime." Tucson Police Chief Roberto Villaseñor said the requirements of the new law are so burdensome that "we doubt the federal government can even handle the numbers of people we will bring to them" on immigration status.

Topic: DRINKING ALCOHOL CAN LOWER CHANCE OF DIABETES: STUDY

Synopsis: Healthy adults who drink one to two glasses of alcohol per day have a smaller chance of developing one form of diabetes than those who abstain from alcohol, according to Dutch research published on Tuesday. The 10-year study of 35,000 adults, carried out by the National Institute for Public Health and Environment and Dutch medical and scientific centers, focused on Type 2 diabetes. Results showed that people who consumed alcohol moderately and met at least three of four conditions of a healthy lifestyle, had 40 percent less chance of developing Type 2 diabetes than those who abstained from alcohol completely.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: MENUS STILL CALORIE-LADEN DESPITE NEW LAWS

Synopsis: Laws requiring U.S. restaurant chains to list calorie counts have not stopped them from offering unhealthy meals that pack in calories, fat and salt, a group that encourages healthy food said Tuesday. A pancake breakfast providing 1,380 calories, a single-serve pizza that packs two days' worth of sodium and a pasta dish swimming in four day's worth of fat top a list published by the Center for Science in the Public Interest. The group, which "outs" the calorie, fat and sodium counts of America's favorite foods every year, said it looked for evidence that restaurants are trimming back their offerings in the face of new laws and political pressure. They found little.

Airdate: May 27

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: HURRICANE SEASON 2010

Synopsis: The Atlantic storm season may be the most intense since 2005 when Hurricane Katrina killed over a thousand and disrupted oil production by crashing through Gulf of Mexico energy facilities, the U.S. government's top weather agency predicted Thursday. In its first forecast for the storm season that begins next Tuesday, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration forecast 14 to 23 named storms, with 8 to 14 developing into hurricanes, nearly matching 2005's record of 15.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Synopsis: Democrats are struggling to extend jobless benefits before they go on vacation next week. Some lawmakers are concerned they'll be hammered over deficit spending even though the money is for the unemployed. House leaders hope to vote today on a bill that would extend the benefits through November, but they are running into opposition from Republicans and some Democrats concerned about the cost of the overall bill. Democratic leaders have cut the cost of the legislation by more than \$50 billion -- to about \$140 billion -- in an attempt to pick up votes. The bill would add about \$84 billion to the budget deficit.

Topic: OBAMA AND IMMIGRATION

Synopsis: President Barack Obama urged Republicans Thursday to help him develop a comprehensive U.S. immigration overhaul even as they pushed for tougher border security measures. Obama, who is sending 1,200 National Guard troops to Arizona's border with Mexico, told a White House news conference "we're not going to solve" America's immigration dilemma simply by sending troops. The debate has intensified in the past month since Arizona passed a law that requires police to check the residency status of anyone they suspect is in the United States illegally.

Airdate: May 28

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: MEMORIAL DAY TRAVEL

Synopsis: Americans aren't in the mood to spend much on travel this summer. More people are expected to hit the road than did last year, but their budgets will be tighter because of high unemployment, stock markets in retreat and a still-fragile economy. Auto club AAA says about 32.1 million Americans will travel over the Memorial Day holiday weekend, a 5.4 percent increase over last year. AAA estimates families will spend an average of \$809 on summer travel, compared with \$876 in 2009, even though flying is more expensive than it was a year ago.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA OFFICIALS MEET OVER IMMIGRATION LAW

Synopsis: Justice Department officials told Arizona's attorney general and aides to the governor Friday that the federal government has serious reservations about the state's new immigration law. The Justice Department initiated separate meetings by phone and face-to-face in Phoenix with Goddard and aides to Republican Gov. Jan Brewer to reach out to Arizona's leaders and elicit information from state officials regarding the Obama administration's concerns about the new law.

Airdate: May 29

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA MARCH 1070

Synopsis: Thousands of civil rights and labor activists from across the United States -- carrying banners that read: "Obama Keep Your Promise" -- rallied in Phoenix to protest the law, which requires state and local police to investigate the immigration status of people they suspect are in the country illegally. Opponents charge the law is unconstitutional and will lead to racial profiling of Hispanics, who make up about a third of Arizona's population. Roughly 11 million people are thought to be living in the United States illegally.

Topic: CHICAGO PROTEST

Synopsis: The protest over Arizona's new immigration law reached Wrigley Field Thursday. Demonstrators were out in Wrigleyville, encouraging people to boycott the entire series as the Cubs host the Arizona Diamondbacks. The protest was mostly quiet as thousands of fans were entering the stadium. The group represents a number of immigrant rights organizations who are against the immigration law Arizona recently passed that requires police to inquire about immigration status of people suspected of being in the country illegally.

Airdate: May 30

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis:

BP admitted defeat in its attempt to plug the Gulf of Mexico oil leak by pumping mud into a busted well, and was preparing yet another approach after repeated failures to stop the crude fouling marshland and beaches. BP Chief Operating Officer Doug Suttles said the company determined the "top kill" had failed after it spent three days pumping heavy drilling mud into the crippled well five-thousand feet underwater. More than 1.2 million gallons of mud was used, but most of it escaped out of the damaged riser.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: PHOENIX IMMIGRATION MARCHES

Synopsis:

Thousands of people from around the country descended on the Phoenix area as supporters and opponents of Arizona's tough new crackdown on illegal immigration held separate rallies. Marchers carrying banners and flags from the United States and Mexico filled a five-mile stretch of central Phoenix, demanding that the federal government refuse to cooperate with Arizona authorities trying to enforce the law. 10 to 20 thousand were estimated to have participated.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: SAN FRANCISCO IMMIGRATION PROTEST

Synopsis:

Protesters that could not attend the immigration marches in Phoenix staged their own protests, including one in San Francisco, California where the Arizona Diamondbacks were playing the Giants. The protesters rallied outside AT&T Park. They want people to boycott Arizona and they want Major League Baseball to move the All-Star game out of the state. The protesters say the Diamondbacks are a legitimate target because the team's owner has generously contributed to Republican politicians.

Airdate: May 31

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis: Oil from BP's out-of-control Gulf of Mexico oil spill could threaten the Mississippi and Alabama coasts this week, U.S. forecasters said Monday, as public anger surged over the country's worst environmental disaster. U.S. government and BP officials are warning that the blown-out deepwater well feeding the catastrophic spill may not be shut off until August as the company begins preparations on a new but uncertain attempt to contain the leaking crude. U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder will meet with federal prosecutors and state attorneys general in New Orleans in Tuesday. It will be Holder's first trip to survey the damage before what legal experts believe will be a criminal investigation into the disaster.

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Airdate: June 1

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Topic: BP LAYS OUT NEW, RISKIER MOVE TO CUT FLOW OF OIL

Synopsis: BP PIC started sawing extraneous pipes Tuesday at the seabed site on its latest attempt to corral oil leaking from a ruptured well in the Gulf of Mexico. Moving past its failed "top kill" attempt to plug the leak, BP focused on containment rather than stopping the flow. BP is counting on a pair of relief wells being drilled to intercept and plug the leak far beneath the seabed. But the relief wells, each begun in May, will not be finished until early to mid-August — forcing the company to keep seeking a stopgap.

Duration 30 sec. sec

Topic: US HAS LAUNCHED CRIMINAL PROBE INTO BP SPILL

Synopsis: The U.S. government has launched a widely expected criminal and civil investigation into BP PIC's massive oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder said Tuesday, ratcheting up the pressure on the beleaguered British oil company. Department has already demanded that the companies involved in the spill, including BP, Transocean Ltd and Halliburton Co, preserve records related to the accident.

Duration 30 sec. sec

Topic: 1ST COURT APPEARANCE FOR FT. HOOD SHOOTING SUSPECT

Synopsis: The Army psychiatrist accused of gunning down 13 people at Fort Hood is to make his first military courtroom appearance Tuesday as his attorney seeks to delay the case. But Maj. Nidal Hasan isn't expected to speak during the hearing. Military prosecutors and defense attorneys instead plan to discuss case preparations. Defense attorney John Galligan says he'll seek to delay Hasan's Article 32 hearing.

Duration 30 sec. sec

Topic: OBESITY AND ASTHMA ARE LINKED

Synopsis: A number of studies have shown an association between obesity and asthma, both of which have become much more common over the past three decades, Dr. Jun Ma of the Palo Alto Medical Research Institute in California note in the medical journal Allergy.

Duration 30 sec. sec

Topic: BREAST CANCER GENES NOT WORSENED BY LIFESTYLE

Synopsis: Genes that make women more susceptible to breast cancer don't have any link to lifestyle factors that also raise their risk, a new study says. Some experts previously thought there might be dangerous interactions between breast cancer mutations and other risk factors for the disease, like taking hormone replacement therapy -- and that these women had a particularly high risk of breast cancer. According to a study published Wednesday in the medical journal, Lancet, that isn't the case. British researchers studied 7,610 women with breast cancer and 10,196 women without it.

Airdate: June 2

Duration 30 sec. sec

Topic: US CALLS FOR FREEING OF CUBA PRISONERS

Synopsis: The U.S. government and a top Cuban human rights activist on Wednesday urged the island's leaders to release jailed political prisoners, not just transfer them to facilities nearer to their homes. On Tuesday, at least six political prisoners were moved to jails closer to their homes under a deal with the Roman Catholic Church to improve prison conditions. Dissident leaders have said the agreement worked out between the government and the church includes an understanding that some of the 26 ailing political prisoners would be freed, but church officials have said only that the government would provide better access to medical care.

Duration 30 sec. sec

Topic: FEDERAL GULF CLEANUP COSTS NATION'S MOST EXPENSIVE

Synopsis: Federal officials say cleanup costs for the catastrophic Gulf oil spill have topped \$123 million. That's more than the \$121 million spent on the Exxon Valdez spill, though that amount hasn't been adjusted for inflation. The National Pollution Funds Center says the money has been doled out to state and federal agencies directly involved in the cleanup. Those agencies include state National Guards, whose soldiers have built walls to protect shorelines from pollution, as well as the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, which projects the oil slick's trajectory.

Duration 30 sec. sec

Topic: UNEMPLOYMENT DROPS IN 90 PCT. OF METRO AREAS

Synopsis: Unemployment rates fell in April for more than 90 percent of the nation's 372 largest metro areas as hiring picked up around the country. The Labor Department says the jobless rate dropped in 346 areas last month. It rose in only 12 and remained flat in 14. That's much better than March, when unemployment fell in 257 areas and rose in 89. Much of the improvement was seen in Midwestern regions with significant manufacturing operations. Manufacturers, who added 44,000 jobs nationwide in April, are benefiting from increasing overseas sales and efforts by retailers and other U.S. companies to restock their warehouses.

Duration 30 sec. sec

Topic: EFFECTS OF CAFFEINE

Synopsis: If you're one of millions who can't get started without that morning cup of coffee-- you may have wondered just how that jolt of java really works. Well, researchers in England studied the highs-- and lows-- of caffeine consumption. Consider these age-old questions about drinking coffee - Does it give you an edge? Will it keep you alert? Does it make you anxious? Now, there are answers supplied by experimental psychologists from Bristol, England.

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Airdate: June 3

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Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis: The Obama administration is blocking all new offshore drilling in the Gulf of Mexico, a day after regulators approved a new permit for drilling in shallow water. The Minerals Management Service, which oversees offshore drilling, says in an e-mail from its Gulf Coast office that "until further notice" no new drilling is being allowed in the Gulf, "no matter the water depth." A copy of the e-mail was obtained by The Associated Press. The announcement comes a day after the MMS granted a new drilling permit for a site about 50 miles off the Louisiana coast, 115 feet below the ocean surface. Environmental groups said the administration was misleading the public by allowing work to resume in waters up to 500 feet deep while maintaining a moratorium on deepwater drilling.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: NANNIES LAW IN NY

Synopsis: New York lawmakers have passed bills to require overtime pay after eighthour workdays and at least one day off weekly for more than 200,000 housekeepers, nannies and other domestic workers in the state. Advocates say that if Gov. David Paterson signs the measures into law, New York will become the first state establishing those rights for household workers, most of whom are women and emigres and often are vulnerable to abuse. Lawmakers still have to reconcile differences in the bills. Governor's spokesman Morgan Hook said Paterson will review the legislation.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: ASTHMA STUDY

Synopsis: Children who eat three or more burgers a week may be at a higher risk of asthma and wheezing, but a healthy diet rich in fruit and fish seems to stave off the risk, according to a large international study. Researchers from Germany, Spain and Britain who studied data on 50,000 children across the world found the link between burgers and asthma was strongest in rich nations where diets with high levels of junk food are more common. A meat-heavy diet itself has no bearing on the prevalence of asthma, according to the scientists who conducted the study. Yet, frequent burger eating could be a signal for other lifestyle factors which raise asthma risk.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA LAW LATEST

Synopsis: Arizona Governor Jan Brewer and President Barack Obama sat down for half an hour to discuss immigration Thursday, but there were few signs that the two had bridged their sharp differences on the issue. Brewer, a Republican, recently signed a controversial bill cracking down on illegal immigrants in Arizona that Obama has called "misguided" and over which his administration may file suit.

Airdate: June 4

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL GETS TO FLORIDIAN COASTS

Synopsis: The smell of oil hangs heavy in the sea air. Children with plastic shovels scoop up clumps of goo in the waves. Beachcombers collect tar balls as if they were

seashells. The BP catastrophe arrived with the tide on the Florida Panhandle's white sands Friday as the company worked to adjust a cap over the gusher in a desperate and untested bid to arrest what is already the biggest oil spill in U.S. history. The widening scope of the slow-motion disaster deepened the anger and despair just as President Barack Obama arrived for his third visit to the stricken Gulf Coast.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: UNEMPLOYMENT

Synopsis: Private employers dramatically cut back their rate of job creation in May, according to a government report released Friday that cast doubt on at least one aspect of the nation's economic recovery. On the surface, the report was full of good news. The nation added 431,000 jobs, the best since March 2000, and the unemployment rate fell to 9.7 percent in May, from 9.9 percent.

Airdate: June 5

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis: A cap over the underwater oil leak is believed to be collecting anywhere from about a quarter to half of the oil that's pouring into the Gulf of Mexico. The Coast Guard says about 252,000 gallons of oil was captured in the first full 24 hours of use after the cap was installed. Meanwhile, oil from the massive spill has reached the shores of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Florida. The director of coastal zone management for Louisiana's Plaquemines Parish says it looks like the Gulf of Mexico is bleeding. The leak began after the Deepwater Horizon drilling rig exploded April 20 and killed 11 workers. Six weeks later the government estimates the well has leaked nearly 50 million gallons of oil.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: LUNG CANCER

Synopsis: Doctors are reporting unusually high success rates from early tests of an experimental lung cancer drug. The drug, called Crizotinib, is made by Pfizer Inc. It targets a gene that is found in about 4 percent of lung cancers, which amounts to 10,000 people a year in the United States alone. In a study of 82 patients with advanced lung cancer, more than 90 percent saw their tumors shrink after two months on the drug. Much more testing is needed to see if the drug is safe and effective. Researchers have already started a large study to test Crizotinib against existing treatments. Results of the early testing were given at a cancer conference in Chicago Saturday.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA IMMIGRATION PROTEST

Synopsis: Hundreds of people who support Arizona's new immigration law have been rallying near the state Capitol, where the heat may have put a damper on turnout. Demonstrators sweated in temperatures reaching as high as 107 degrees. Some shaded themselves with umbrellas and clamored to buy cold water and ice cream from vendors. The law goes into effect July 29 unless blocked by a court. Critics have said the law will invite racial profiling, while supporters have said it will help fight illegal immigration.

Airdate: June 6

Duration 30 sec. Topic: **OIL SPILL**

Synopsis: A containment cap over the Gulf of Mexico oil spill offers some hope amid oil-coated wildlife, idle fishermen and fouled beaches. The Coast Guard says a quarter to a half of the gushing oil is being captured but engineers at BP PLC must attempt to close vents that were deliberately allowing streams of oil to escape to keep water out. When water and gas combined in an earlier containment box, it formed a frozen slush that foiled the system.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: AZ: IMMIGRATION PROTEST

Synopsis: Hundreds of people supporting Arizona's new law cracking down on illegal immigration rallied near the state Capitol on Saturday afternoon in soaring temperatures. Hundreds of motorcycle riders kicked off the downtown Phoenix rally by riding in a procession around the Capitol. Supporters waved American flags and some carried signs. The rally's turnout fell far short of the march organized by opponents of the law last weekend, when an estimated 20,000 people gathered. Demonstrators on Saturday sweated as temperatures reached 105 degrees.

Airdate: June 7

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis: BP is now collecting about 11,000 barrels per day of the leak volume with a containment cap over the blown-out well, and plans to nearly double collection efforts in coming days to 20,000 barrels per day. The ultimate solution remains the drilling of two relief wells expected to be completed in August, a lengthy, expensive but more reliable way to intercept and cap the leaking well. With an eye toward the U.S. hurricane season that began June 1, BP and the U.S. government are designing an oil-collection system that can be quickly connected and disconnected in the event that stormy seas require the temporary abandonment of oil-collection efforts. BP is also preparing containment enhancements that BP Chief Executive Tony Hayward says could capture "the vast majority" of the oil. The first will be ready in mid-June, and the second in early July, BP says.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: SECURITY MEASURES IN THE WORLD CUP

Synopsis: South Africa's international airports have a notorious reputation for baggage theft, but officials say they have cracked down on pilfering and boosted security ahead of the World Cup. Airports Company South Africa has spent 165 million rends (21 million dollars, 17 million Euros) upgrading security ahead of the June 11 kick-off, including electronic bag scanners meant to cut down on luggage theft. That will be put to the test this week as 300,000 World Cup fans begin arriving in South Africa, with about one third

of them landing just on Wednesday and Thursday, according to South African football officials. The US embassy website calls theft at OR Tambo a "serious problem" and encourages travelers to secure their luggage with locks approved by the air safety agency. Britain's embassy recommends vacuum-wrapping checked bags in plastic when travelling to South Africa -- a service offered in most departure terminals.

Airdate: June 8

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis: BP said it collected 14,800 barrels of oil Monday, 33 percent more than Sunday. U.S. experts investigating reports of undersea oil plumes emanating from BP's stricken well have confirmed the presence of low levels of oil below the surface, Jane Lubchenco, head of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, told a briefing in Washington. BP Chief Executive Tony Hayward will testify before House Energy and Commerce subcommittee on June 17, a company spokesman said.

Airdate: June 9

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: HOUSE PASSES CRACKDOWN ON ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS

Synopsis: Powerful opponents remain to two bills that would stop Pennsylvania construction firms from hiring undocumented, illegal immigrants, but the measures easily sailed through the state House Tuesday. House Bill 1502, which bars contractors and subcontractors who hire illegal immigrants from bidding on state construction contracts, was approved 188 to 6. A few minutes later, House Bill 1503, which would take away state licenses and certifications from private contractors using such hiring practices, passed 188 to 7. "These bills target contractors who cheat, who use a cheap, illegal work force for profit and push hard-working Pennsylvanians onto the unemployment rolls," said Rep. John Galloway, D-Bucks, the main sponsor. The bills also afford protection to whistleblowers, employees who report construction sites where illegal workers are employed. Mr. Galloway added that 14 states have already enacted such laws.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: IMMIGRATION PRICES UP

Synopsis: US Immigration Services will announce today that benefit fees will again increase for immigrants seeking permanent residence, naturalization, adjustment of status, etc. The cost of obtaining a green card, business visa and other immigration benefits will increase an average of 10 percent under a proposal announced Wednesday by federal immigration officials. But, in a move hailed by immigrant advocates, officials decided not to propose any fee hikes for citizenship applications, one of the largest and most politically popular categories of immigration benefits. Citizenship fees were increased by nearly 70 percent to \$675 in 2007, which immigrant advocates say contributed to a sharp drop in the number of citizenship applications in the last two years.

Topic: MAY DAY MELEE

Synopsis: The Los Angeles City Council has approved settlements ranging from \$50,000 to \$250,000 for media personnel injured by heavy-handed police in the 2007 May Day immigration demonstration. Dennis Gleason, spokesman for Councilman Bernard Parks,

says the awards will go to six people who sued the city.

Duration: 30 sec. Topic: **HPV CANCER**

Synopsis: People are much more likely to survive head and neck cancer if the tumor is caused by the human papillomavirus or HPV, U.S. researchers said on Monday. That may mean that some patients will be able to undergo less toxic treatments, sparing them painful side effects from the current standard of chemotherapy and radiation.

Airdate: June 10

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis: A summary of events on Thursday, June 10, Day 51 of the Gulf of Mexico oil spill that began with the April 20 explosion and fire on the drilling rig Deepwater Horizon, owned by Transocean Ltd. and leased by BP PLC, which is in charge of cleanup and containment. The blast killed 11 workers. Since then, oil has been pouring into the Gulf

from a blown-out undersea well.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: MORTGAGE RATES HIT LOW

Synopsis: Rates on 30-year fixed mortgages fell this week to the lowest level of the year and were barely shy of the all-time low. Mortgage finance company Freddie Mac says the average rate sank to 4.72 percent, down from 4.79 percent last week. It was just above the record of 4.71 set last December. The average rate on a 15-year fixed-rate mortgage hit 4.17 percent, down from 4.2 percent last week and the lowest on records dating back to August 1991.

Duration: 30 sec. Topic: **CENSUS**

Synopsis: The nation's minority population is steadily rising and now makes up 35 percent of the United States, advancing an unmistakable trend that could make minorities the new American majority by midcentury. As white baby boomers age past their childbearing years, younger Hispanic parents are having children -- and driving U.S. population growth.

Airdate: June 11

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis: Scientists are now estimating that twice as much oil is flowing into the Gulf of Mexico than had earlier been reported — and some are saying it's even more than that. At the same time they are venting their fury at BP over the Gulf of Mexico spill and its calamitous environmental effects. Louisiana politicians were rushing on Thursday to the defense of the oil-and-gas industry and pleading with Washington to bring back offshore drilling now. As angry as they are over the disaster, state officials warn that the Obama administration's temporary ban on drilling in the Gulf has sent Louisiana's most lucrative industry into a death spiral.

Airdate: June 12

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: SPIRIT AIRLINES STRIKE

Synopsis: Spirit Airlines pilots declared a strike and walked-out on labor contract negotiations after more than three years of bargaining for better salaries and benefits. The decision by Spirit's 500 pilots, represented by the Air Line Pilots Association, undoubtedly signals more canceled flights and frustration for passengers with existing Spirit reservations. It's still too early to know the toll the strike will have on Spirit's entire network, but the walk-out signals the start of major disruption at Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport, where it's the largest carrier.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis: Newly released government inspection reports show BP's Deepwater Horizon oil rig was only inspected six times in 2008 even though government regulations say drilling rigs should be inspected every month. In total, the rig missed 16 inspections since January 2005, according to the documents. An Interior Department official told CBS News a rig might miss an inspection because it's moving from one place to the next or there might be a delay from weather. Inspectors found five incidents of noncompliance at the rig dating back to 2001.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: PRESIDENT WEEKLY ADDRESS

Synopsis: President Barack Obama is asking Republican lawmakers to approve billions of dollars in new spending to avert a scheduled 21 percent cut in payments to doctors who treat Medicare patients. If GOP senators don't allow the stalled proposal to pass, some doctors will stop treating Medicare recipients, Obama said in his weekly radio and Internet address. The president noted that since 2003, Congresses led by Democrats and by Republicans alike have blocked similar proposed cuts.

Topic: ARIZONA 1070 BILL LATEST

Synopsis: Arizona Gov. Jan Brewer and Attorney General Terry Goddard asked a judge to dismiss a lawsuit that seeks to overturn the state's new immigration law. Lawyers for both officials say the lawsuit by Washington-based researcher Roberto Frisancho should be thrown out because his claim is based on his speculation that, as a U.S.-born Hispanic, he will be asked for immigration papers as a result of the law. Brewer and Goddard's lawyers say the lawsuit doesn't take into account that the Legislature amended the law to strengthen restrictions against using race as the basis for questioning by police.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: REPUBLICAN DELEGATES VOTE ON IMMIGRATION

Synopsis: The Texas 2010 Republican convention is taking place this week in Dallas and all the delegates from the state will be voting on the issue of illegal immigration. Thousands of delegates and alternates from across Texas will travel to Dallas to discuss a platform resolution on stopping illegal immigration. They include the members of the Platform Committee and the Rules committee.

Airdate: June 13

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: BP CLEANUP LATEST

Synopsis: The US Coast Guard has told British oil company BP to come up with more effective measures in the next two days to contain the Gulf of Mexico oil spill. A Coast Guard commander told BP its plans to contain the spill do not go far enough after new figures suggested more oil might be leaking than previously estimated. In a phone conversation, US president Barack Obama told British Prime Minister David Cameron that his criticisms of BP were not anti-British, and he had no interest in undermining the company's value.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: SPIRIT AIRLINES STRIKE

Synopsis: Spirit Airlines canceled all flights through mid week because of an ongoing pilot strike, extending the stoppage by one day and leaving many passengers upset and looking for other options. Spirit Airlines grounded all of its flights when the company's pilots walked off the job Saturday amid a contract dispute with the airline that has lasted more than three years. Talks between the pilots and the airlines are set to restart, and it's not known if the cancellations will continue longer.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: USA/CUBA IMMIGRATION TALKS

Synopsis: The United States and Cuba have agreed to hold immigration talks in Washington within days, a U.S. official said, the first since a similar meeting in Havana in February. The talks scheduled this week are intended to monitor adherence to a 16-year-old agreement under which the United States issues 20,000 visas to Cubans a year, though in the past the sides have used the meeting to delve into more contentious

issues. The latest round of talks will take place at an as-yet undetermined location in Washington.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: RAIDS IN ARIZONA

Synopsis: Sheriff's deputies raided two Sizzler steak house restaurants in Phoenix, arresting nine employees who are suspected of being illegal immigrants and using fraudulent documents to get jobs. The raids were part of a year-long investigation into whether the operators of the two Sizzler locations broke a civil law by knowingly hiring illegal immigrants, Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Lt. Brian Lee said in a statement. Deputies were looking for 23 suspects wanted for identity theft, Lee said. Authorities believe one of the suspects was deported three times and has been hired back by Sizzler each time he returned.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: REPUBLICAN IMMIGRATION PROPOSALS

Synopsis: Some delegates at a Texas Republican convention voted to include a plank advocating for a state law that would bar illegal immigrants from "intentionally or knowingly" living in Texas. Similar to Arizona's strict law that has sparked nationwide debate, the proposal would require local police to verify U.S. residency when making arrests. The immigration proposal, a hard-line approach that Governor Perry has said isn't right for Texas, was one of several initiatives debated as delegates wrapped up the two-day convention. The Republican Party platform is a blueprint of the policies that GOP activists want elected officials to pursue.

Airdate: June 14

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: OBAMA ANNOUNCES HIS PICKS FOR OIL SPILL COMMISSION

Synopsis: U.S. President Barack Obama announced Monday the names of five people he wants to round out a seven-person commission to study the causes of the Gulf of Mexico oil spill and make recommendations for the future of offshore drilling. The group of men and women included academics and environmentalists but did not appear to include anyone from the oil industry. "I am grateful they have agreed to serve as we work to determine the causes of this catastrophe and implement the safety and environmental protections we need to prevent a similar disaster from happening again," Obama said in a statement released by the White House.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: SUPREME COURT-IMMIGRANTS-DRUGS

Synopsis: The Supreme Court has ruled that an immigrant's second minor drug offense - possession of a single tablet of an anti-anxiety drug without a prescription -- should not lead automatically to deportation. The justices on Monday unanimously reversed a federal appeals court ruling that upheld the deportation to Mexico of Jose Angel Carachuri-Rosendo. "Caruchuri-Rosendo, and others in his position, may now seek cancellation of removal and thereby avoid the harsh consequence of mandatory removal," Justice John Paul Stevens wrote for the court. He noted that immigrants may

still be deported in such instances, but said immigration judges have the discretion to allow people to remain in this country.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: US PUTS NATIONS ON NOTICE FOR TRAFFICKING

Synopsis: The Obama administration is warning more than a dozen states, including perennial rogues Iran, North Korea, Cuba and Myanmar, of possible sanctions for failing to do enough to fight human trafficking. In its annual review of how nations around the world are working to eliminate trafficking and sexual slavery, the State Department on Monday put 13 countries on notice that they are not complying with minimum international standards and could face U.S. penalties unless their records improve.

Duration: 30 sec.

Topic: COMMON BLOOD PRESSURE DRUG 'RAISES CANCER RISK'

Synopsis: A blood pressure drug used by millions of adults could be increasing their risk of cancer, a study has revealed. The use of ARB drugs to treat hypertension is associated with a 'modestly increased risk' of new cancer diagnosis, scientists say. Some 15million prescriptions are written for the drugs every year in the UK - making them one of the most widely-used form of blood pressure medication. Last night experts were urging patients not to stop taking their medication, saying the benefits outweigh the increased cancer risk. However, one called the findings "disturbing and provocative". ARBs - angiotensin-receptor blockers - are commonly prescribed for the treatment of high blood pressure, heart failure, and kidney damage due to diabetes. The drugs, such as Telmisartan, Losartan and Candesartan, work by stopping a hormone that prevents blood vessels from dilating - the cause of high blood pressure.

Airdate: June 15

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: SEAFOOD AND OIL SPILL

Synopsis: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration say they are monitoring the safety of Gulf of Mexico seafood. The federal agencies announced they are taking additional steps to enhance inspection measures designed to ensure seafood in the region has not been contaminated by the continuing oil spill in the Gulf. The additional measures include increased seafood testing inspections, precautionary closures of fishing areas and a re-opening protocol. Officials have currently closed 32% of federal waters encompassing areas affected by the spill, as well as areas projected to be affected during the next 48- to 72-hour period. The closed areas also include a 5-nautical-mile buffer as a precaution.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis: National anger rising, President Barack Obama is defending his efforts against the country's worst environmental disaster and hoping his first Oval Office address Tuesday night will stoke confidence that he can see the job through until the gushing oil is gone and Gulf Coast lives are back to normal,. Obama said in Pensacola, Fla., capping a two-day inspection tour of the stricken region before flying back to Washington for his evening address to the nation. Eight weeks to the day after an

offshore oil rig leased by BP PLC exploded, killed 11 workers and sent tens of millions of gallons of crude flooding into the Gulf of Mexico, Obama's high-stakes speech came during a week of constantly unfolding drama.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: TPS FOR GUATEMALANS

Synopsis: Tropical Storm Agatha tore through Guatemala over the weekend, leaving hundreds dead and a sinkhole in the middle of Guatemala City that swallowed up an entire intersection. On Tuesday, the country's main daily reported the foreign minister is going to ask for temporary protected status for Guatemalans living in the United States. TPS is a legal status granted to immigrants unable to return to their native countries because of war or natural catastrophes. On Monday, president Alvaro Colom asked the World Bank for a \$85 million loan for reconstruction. If TPS is granted, it would be the first time Guatemalans received the special immigration status. Given the scope of the damage, the State Department is likely to waive any objections. Earlier this year, it extended TPS for the first time ever following its devastating earthquake. The US previously gave TPS to Guatemala in 1997, following Hurricane Mitch, but then president Álvaro Arzú turned it down.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: MEDICINE RECALL

Synopsis: In another burst of bad publicity for Johnson & Johnson, the company on Tuesday said it has recalled four additional lots of Benadryl allergy tablets and one lot of Extra Strength Tylenol gels. The diversified healthcare company said in a press release it was recalling the lots after inadvertently failing to include them in a wider recall of over the counter drugs on January 15.

Airdate: June 16

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: SPIRIT AIRLINES MAKES A DEAL TO END PILOTS' STRIKE

Synopsis: Spirit Airlines made a deal with its pilots on Wednesday that will end their five-day-old walkout, the union said. The airline said it will resume flights on Friday. Pilots were working out a back-to-work agreement and technically remain on strike until that is done, said Andy Nelson, the vice chairman of the council for the Spirit branch of the Air Line Pilots Association. "Our intention is to help get the airline back up and running as quickly and efficiently as possible," he said. Spirit had already canceled its Thursday flights before the agreement was reached. A Spirit spokeswoman did not immediately respond to a phone message seeking comment.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: US MULLS LESS JAIL-LIKE IMMIGRANT FACILITIES

Synopsis: In an agreement U.S. immigration officials hope will begin to reshape the entire 30,000-bed detention system, some asylum-seekers and immigrants awaiting deportation proceedings could soon be held in facilities where they can wear their own clothes, participate in movie and bingo nights, eat continental breakfasts and celebrate holidays with visiting family members. It could end confinement in prison-like facilities --complete with razor wire, jail-style uniforms, armed guards and partitions that prevent

physical contact with loved ones -- for those who have never been convicted of a crime and are not considered a threat. Corrections Corporation of America, the largest contractor for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, has reached a preliminary agreement to soften confinement, free of charge, at nine immigrant facilities covering more than 7,100 beds -- a deal that ICE officials see as a precursor to changes elsewhere.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: U.S. FOOD GUIDELINES SHOULD FOCUS ON FAT

Synopsis: New U.S. nutritional guidelines should focus on keeping Americans from getting even fatter, experts said on Tuesday, with an emphasis not only on healthy foods but on finding ways to help Americans eat better and exercise more. With two-thirds of U.S. adults overweight or obese, the aim is to help people cut calories while getting the right nutrients, Rear Admiral Penelope Slade-Sawyer of the Health and Human Services Department told reporters in a telephone briefing.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: BP CHAIRMAN APOLOGIZES TO AMERICANS FOR OIL SPILL

Synopsis: Chairman apologized Wednesday to the American people for the catastrophic oil spill on the Gulf coast. Emerging from a meeting with President Barack Obama, BP Chairman Carl-Henric Svanberg promised to look after people affected by the spill and to repair damage to the environment. "We have agreed today with the president a framework that should assure the American people that we mean what we say," Svanberg told reporters.

Airdate: June 17

Duration 30 sec.
Topic: **BP APOLOGY**

Synopsis: A Texas Republican apologized to BP CEO Tony Hayward Thursday for having to set aside \$20 billion for Gulf of Mexico damage claims, drawing ridicule from Democrats and embarrassing Republicans. Representative Joe Barton, a major recipient of campaign contributions from the oil and gas industry, triggered an uproar with his lengthy apology to Hayward for being the victim of a White House "shakedown."

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: SB 1070 DONATIONS

Synopsis: Arizona Gov. Jan Brewer's office has received nearly \$20,000 in private donations to help the state mount a legal defense against lawsuits related to its tough new immigration law. Nearly 440 people in 46 states and the District of Columbia have contributed to the fund. According to a list of donors provided to The Arizona Republic newspaper, the smallest contribution is \$1 and the largest is \$750.

Airdate: June 18

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA SB1070 LAWSUIT

Synopsis: The U.S. Justice Department is still reviewing a possible challenge to the controversial Arizona immigration law, a spokesman said Thursday, despite a statement last week by Secretary of State Hillary Clinton that a lawsuit to challenge it would be pursued. Clinton said in a television interview in Ecuador June 8 that President Barack Obama had ordered the Justice Department to challenge the Arizona law because he did not believe states should not set immigration policies, which could differ.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: OBAMA ECONOMY RECOVERY

Synopsis: President Barack Obama launched a push Friday ahead of U.S. congressional elections to refocus on economic recovery efforts that have been overshadowed by the BP PIC oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. Traveling to the recession-battered Midwest, Obama kicked off what the White House has billed as a six-week drive to promote his administration's economic stimulus plan and job policies.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: FEMENINE SEX PILL

Synopsis: A pink sex pill offered little help to women and came with unacceptable risks, U.S. government advisers agreed on Friday, another setback in the search for a drug to boost female libido. German drug maker Boehringer Ingelheim failed to convince an expert panel that its pill increased sexual desire enough to win approval.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis: BP's chairman said Friday that CEO Tony Hayward is on his way out as the company's point man on the Gulf oil spill crisis, a day after Hayward enraged members of Congress by offering few answers about how the environmental disaster happened. Other BP officials, however, said the switch had been previously announced and will not take place for some time.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: PRINCE WILLIAM ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION LAW

Synopsis: The chairman of the Prince William Board of County Supervisors is calling on Virginia legislators to pass a law cracking down on illegal immigration similar to a controversial Arizona measure. Board Chairman (R-At Large) said he will spend the rest of the year lobbying the General Assembly to pass legislation that enhances law enforcement powers to capture, detain and deport illegal aliens; curbs illegal day laboring; and creates specific state penalties for illegal immigrants. He called the effort the "Virginia Rule of Law Campaign."

Airdate: June 19

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: OBAMA WEEKLY ADDRESS

Synopsis: President Barack Obama accused Republicans on Saturday of blocking legislation that would boost the nation's economic recovery and lift a \$75 million cap on what oil companies must pay to families and small businesses affected by the oil spill. Obama said the stalled Senate bill would extend unemployment benefits to workers without jobs and a tax credit for first-time homebuyers. He also said the legislation would save thousands of jobs across the country. Republicans, Obama said, are hurting the country and the economy by refusing to let the legislation move forward. He said the bill meant to hasten the economy recovery and lift the \$75 million oil spill limit deserved a vote.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: OIL SPILL LATEST

Synopsis: An internal BP document released by a senior U.S. congressional Democrat shows that the company estimates that a worst-case scenario rate for the Gulf of Mexico oil spill could be about 100,000 barrels of oil per day. The estimate of 100,000 barrels of oil per day is far higher than the current U.S. government estimate of up to 60,000 barrels per day gushing from the ruptured offshore well into the sea.

Airdate: June 20

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA BORDER PROTECTION

Synopsis: Arizona Senators John McCain and Jon Kyl were in Douglas, Arizona to tour the border and attend a town hall meeting. McCain and Kyl toured the border near Douglas. They say a lot of progress has been made with securing the border, but they still need more resources. They are calling for more National Guard, more Border Patrol Agents and better surveillance technology.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: TROOP WITHDRAWAL

Synopsis: The Obama administration is reaffirming its pledge to begin pulling U.S. troops out of Afghanistan next summer. But the Pentagon and the White House are still saying different things about how many troops will leave -- and when. Gen. David Petraeus, who oversees the Iraq and Afghanistan wars, told Congress last week that he'd recommend putting off the withdrawal if need be. He said security conditions and the Afghan government have to be ready to handle a U.S. drawdown.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: NEBRASKA IMMIGRATION LAW

Synopsis: Residents of the eastern Nebraska city of Fremont will decide this week whether to ban hiring or renting property to illegal immigrants. Angered by the poor enforcement of federal laws to prevent illegal immigration that has seen an influx of Hispanic workers to the area, proponents have fought for two years to get the ordinance to the ballot. If it is approved Monday, the ordinance will subject all renters to checks by

city officials and impose fines on employers who don't verify the immigration status of their workers.

Airdate: June 21

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: NEBRASKA IMMIGRATION VOTE

Synopsis: A controversial immigration proposal has split the city of Fremont, Nebraska, northwest of Omaha. Residents vote tonight on an ordinance that would prohibit businesses from hiring illegal immigrants and ban landlords from renting to them.

Airdate: June 22

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: **OBAMA AND HEALTHCARE**

Synopsis: President Barack Obama unveiled a package of consumer benefits Tuesday to build support for his health care overhaul within a divided nation and warned Republicans about trying to repeal his landmark law. Marking the first 90 days since the bill was signed, the White House rolled out new regulations that explain how several provisions of the law will be carried out, including a ban on insurers denying coverage to children in poor health.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: ANTIIMMIGRANT LAW IN ARIZONA

Synopsis: Many voters in the eastern Nebraska city of Fremont supported a ban on hiring or renting property to illegal immigrants, according to preliminary results from Monday's special election. With votes from seven of 20 precincts counted, 58 percent of residents were supporting the measure, the latest proposal in a series of immigration regulations taken up by communities around the country. Full results were not expected until later Monday night. The town has watched as its Hispanic population surged in the past two decades, largely due to the jobs available at the nearby Fremont Beef and Hormel meatpacking plants. The city also has an enviably low unemployment rate that matches the Nebraska rate of 4.9 percent.

Airdate: June 23

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: BORDER SECURITY

Synopsis: Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano blamed a "bitterly divided Congress" for failing to create an immigration bill but assured Hispanic political leaders on Thursday that the president remains committed to overhauling the nation's immigration laws. Napolitano highlighted President Barack Obama's effort to make it easier for legal immigrants to become citizens and said Obama has taken a tough approach to securing the U.S.-Mexican border. She did not mention Arizona's tough new

immigration law, which takes effect July 29 if it survives legal challenges. It requires police to question people about their immigration status while enforcing other laws if there's reason to suspect someone is in the country illegally.

Airdate: June 24

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: IMMIGRATION REFORM LATEST

Synopsis: Pro-immigration House Democrats marked what they called a "milestone" of 100 co-sponsors for a comprehensive reform bill that includes a path to citizenship for illegal immigrants. Flanked by a group of immigrants from across the country, Democratic lawmakers said at a news conference that achieving 100 co-sponsors shows that immigration reform has the momentum necessary to become law.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: WHITE HOUSE LAWSUIT AGAINST ARIZONA

Synopsis: Secretary of State Hillary Clinton recently disclosed that the U.S. Justice Department would bring a lawsuit against Arizona's new immigration law, SB 1070. Meanwhile, Arizona Governor Jan Brewer is fuming over the news, which the White House has yet to confirm. The Obama administration backs the passage of a comprehensive immigration reform bill, which Senate Democrats have been working on for several months.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: SALT THERAPY

Synopsis: Salt room therapy, which has been around for hundreds of years, is popular in Europe but relatively new in the United States. The salt therapy, or halo therapy, originated in Eastern Europe, has been studied and has helped people with respiratory and skin ailments. The salt sessions are recommended for people with such problems as asthma, bronchitis, hay fever and cystic fibrosis and skin ailments including acne, psoriasis, eczema and even anti-aging.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: OBAMA CHANGE OF LEADERSHIP IN AFGANISTAN

Synopsis: President Obama relieved embattled Gen. Stanley McChrystal from his position as the top U.S. commander in Afghanistan for his remarks belittling administration officials, replacing him with Gen. David Petraeus, currently head of United States Central Command. Obama said the change was needed to maintain unity of U.S. efforts in Afghanistan and to "hold ourselves accountable to standards that are at the core of our democracy." The president reaffirmed that the change in personnel didn't mean a change in U.S. policy.

Airdate: June 25

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: FINANCIAL OVERHAUL

Synopsis: Congressional negotiators struck a deal Friday on the toughest financial regulations since the Great Depression, aiming to rein in Wall Street excess and tighten rules on everything from simple debit card swipes to the most complex securities. House and Senate bargainers approved the deal after an all-night meeting, giving President Barack Obama a fresh campaign-season triumph after his health care overhaul -- and an achievement to tout at the weekend global economic summit in Canada. Democrats hope lawmakers can pass the legislation and ship it to Obama for his signature by July 4, capping a burst of action prompted by the worst recession in seven decades.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Synopsis: Senate Democrats abandoned on Thursday efforts to provide fresh aid to cash-strapped state governments and extend emergency unemployment benefits for millions of jobless workers, leaving in limbo President Obama's push for more spending to bolster the economy. The decision came after the Senate failed again to muster 60 votes to advance a package of tax cuts and emergency economic provisions. Sen. Ben Nelson (D-Neb.) joined a united Republican caucus in voting to block the measure, citing concern that even the latest slimmed-down version would expand bloated budget deficits. The package fell short, 57 to 41.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: IMMIGRATION LAW / GOVERNOR

Synopsis: Gov. Jan Brewer said Friday that most illegal immigrants entering Arizona are being used to transport drugs across the border, an assertion that critics painted as exaggerated and racist. Brewer said the motivation of "a lot" of the illegal immigrants is to enter the United States to look for work, but that drug rings press them into duty as drug "mules." Brewer's office said it was preparing a statement in response to a request by The Associated Press for any statistics or other information supporting her assertion.

Airdate: June 26

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: **OBAMA WEEKLY ADRESS**

Synopsis: President Barack Obama's efforts to win final approval of a historic financial regulatory reform bill looked more complicated Saturday after a Republican senator threatened to oppose it. He issued the statement after negotiators from the Senate and House of Representatives emerged from a marathon session early Friday morning with a final compromise on a bill that would bring about the most sweeping financial rules revamp since the 1930s.

Topic: RECALL CHILDREN CEREAL

Synopsis: Kellogg Co. is voluntarily recalling about 28 million boxes of Apple Jacks, Corn Pops, Froot Loops and Honey Smacks cereals because a "waxy" smell and flavor coming from the package liners could make people sick, the company said Friday. Kellogg spokeswoman J. Adaire Putnam said about 20 people have complained, including five who reported nausea and vomiting. The company said the potential for serious health problems associated with the cereal is low.

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: HOME SALES PLUNGE

Synopsis: The report released Wednesday detailed the record drop that stunned industry watchers. Analysts had been expecting to see sales up during May but were confounded as delays in the mortgage process seem to be delaying finalized sales. Existing home sales are counted at the closing, unlike new home sales, which are counted when the contract is signed. Existing home sales also were unexpectedly lower during May. A report on Tuesday from the National Association of Realtors showed sales dropping 2.2 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual pace of 5.66 million units.

Airdate: June 27

Duration 30 sec. Topic: **OIL SPILL**

Synopsis: Mississippi Gov. Haley Barbour says he's pressing BP and federal officials to increase resources in his state, where oil has reached the shoreline and continues to flow into the waters around barrier islands. Barbour says resources are needed to attack the oil as far south as possible. Donald Langham, Jackson County's emergency management director, says tar balls and a patch of oil were spotted at the St. Andrews beach and at the Lake Mars pier in Gulf Park Estates. Officials say cleanup is underway.

Airdate: June 28

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: US COURT TO HEAR ARIZONA IMMIGRATION LAW

Synopsis: The Supreme Court said Monday it would hear a legal challenge by business, civil rights and immigration groups to an Arizona law that punishes employers who knowingly hire illegal immigrants. The nation's highest court agreed to decide whether the 2007 state law infringed on federal immigration powers and should be struck down. The law at issue in the case is different from the strict new Arizona immigration law passed earlier this year and criticized by President Barack Obama that requires the police to determine the immigration status of any person suspected of being in the country illegally.

Topic: SUPREME COURT AND GUN RIGHTS

Synopsis: The Supreme Court Monday extended gun rights to every state and city in the nation in a ruling involving Chicago's 28-year-old handgun ban. By a 5-4 vote and splitting along conservative and liberal lines, the nation's highest court extended its landmark 2008 ruling that individual Americans have a constitutional right to own guns to all the cities and states for the first time. The right to bear arms, under the Second Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, previously applied to just federal laws and federal enclaves, like Washington D.C., where the court struck down a similar handgun ban in its 2008 ruling.

Duration 30 sec. Topic: **AVANDIA**

Synopsis: A new medical study released on Monday ties the diabetes drug Avandia to a higher risk of heart problems, strokes and deaths in older adult. The study was led by Dr. David Graham, an FDA scientist who wants the pill banned. An FDA hearing was already scheduled to take place in two weeks to discuss Avandia's safety.

Airdate: June 29

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA LAW SB 1070

Synopsis: The federal government will deploy 524 National Guard troops to the Arizona-Mexico border by late August, according to representatives from President Barack Obama's administration. The delegation met Monday morning with Democratic Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords and Attorney General Terry Goddard in Tucson. During those meetings, the federal representatives also pledged \$600 million in emergency funding to help with border-security issues. According to Giffords office, an additional 250 troops will be sent to Texas, another 224 troops to California, and 72 to New Mexico. There will also be 130 personnel sent to a national liaison office in an undetermined location. The delegation spent 90 minutes meeting with Gov. Jan Brewer Monday afternoon. After the briefing, a subdued looking Brewer told assembled media that the troop commitment was "disappointing" to say the least.

Airdate: June 30

Duration 30 sec.

Topic: ARIZONA TRAVEL ALERT

Synopsis: The nation's top civil liberties group on Wednesday issued travel alerts for Arizona, saying the state's new law cracking down on illegal immigrants could lead to racial profiling and warrantless arrests. American Civil Liberties Union affiliates in Arizona, New Mexico and 26 other states put out the warnings in advance of the Fourth of July weekend. The Arizona chapter has received reports that law enforcement officers are already targeting some people even though the law doesn't take effect until July 29, its executive director said. The alerts are designed to teach people about their rights if police stop and question them. The Arizona law requires police, while enforcing other

laws, to question a person's immigration status if officers have a reasonable suspicion that the person is in the country illegally. It also makes it a state crime for legal immigrants to not carry their immigration documents and bans day laborers and people who seek their services from blocking traffic on streets.

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EL GRAN SUEÑO



Vernos al esposo que está reparando su camioneta y a la esposa que trae una canasta de pollo que ha preparado para él.



ESPOSA: Amor tenemos que ver cómo vamos a pagar la universidad de los niños... y refinanciar la casa.



ESPOSO: ¡Está riquísimo!



ESPOSA: ¿De verdad? A lo mejor debería abrir un restaurante.



ESPOSO: ¡Lo puedo verl Vemos cómo la casa comienza a transformarse en el restaurante de sus sueños.



ESPOSA: Me imagino a la gente haciendo cola...



ESPOSO: ¡Docenas... cientos!



ESPOSA: Sí, sí... y luego crecemos... Y sería un restaurante a todo dar...;Con nombre!



ESPOSO: ¡El Cocorogordo! ¡Con un cartel enorme! ESPOSA: Y nos haremos famosos.



CLIENTE: Esta es la quinta vez que vengo en dos días... ¡Este pollo me ha cambiado mi vida!



ESPOSO: ¿Y cuándo comenzamos?



ESPOSA: Apenas nos alcanza para la hipoteca



ESPOSO: Me mataste. Vemos cómo el restaurante comienza a desaparecer y la casa vuelve a la normalidad. el sitio oficial del Gobierno.



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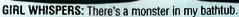


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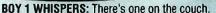












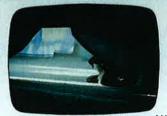


BOY 2 WHISPERS: There's a monster on my bed.



(MUSIC THROUGHOUT)







ANNCR VO: Keep innocent things from triggering an asthma attack. BOY 3: Please make the monsters go away. ANNCR VO: Learn how to stop their asthma attacks at noattacks.org.

"BED": 15 CNSC-9115-1







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(MUSIC) BOY WHISPERS: There's a monster in my bed. ANNCR VO: Even innocent things can trigger an asthma attack. Learn more at noattacks.org. BOY: Please make the monsters go away.

"COUCH": 15 CNSC-9215-1









(MUSIC) BOY WHISPERS: There's a monster on the couch. ANNCR VO: Even innocent things can trigger an asthma attack. Learn more at noattacks.org. BOY: Please make the monsters go away.

"KITCHEN": 15 CNSC-9315-1









(MUSIC) BOY WHISPERS: There's a monster in the kitchen. ANNCR VO: Keep innocent things from triggering an asthma attack. Learn how to stop their asthma attacks at noattacks.org. BOY WHISPERS: Monsters can be anywhere.





Papá:30 &:20

Enfermera Especializada: Jesús llegó hace 3 años con un diagnóstico de

leucemia.



Jesús Papá: Sí, tres años y medio. Le gustó la soguita y él quiere llegar a ser charro Tiene su ilusión y dios quiera y que sí se le conceda.



Jesús: Quiero ser charro.

Locutora: la fundación Make-A-Wish















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