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12/16/13

**FLORIDA PROSTITUTION RING**

**VO: 27**

A probation officer based in Lakeland and the son of an NBA legend are just two of 80 people undercover deputies arrested in Polk County in a four day prostitution sting. Investigators said the suspects fell for fake prostitution ads posted on the internet. "If you come to Polk County and do this, we are going to lock you up, put you in jail and we're going to tell the world about you," said Polk County Sheriff Grady Judd. Charges on the suspects range from soliciting for prostitution, soliciting another to commit a lewd act, deriving support/proceeds from prostitution, and aiding/abetting prostitution. During a press conference, Sheriff Judd said the arrests include a 16-year-old girl whom detectives believe is the victim of human trafficking, and the 20-year-old man who drove her to the location. They also arrested Chris Havlicek, a former sideline reporter for the NBA. "They tell me that Chris Havlicek in his next life could be a fireman as quick as he can get his clothes on and off," Judd said. One man responded to the ad carrying a bag full of adult toys. With cameras rolling, the man laid them all out on a table one by one right before deputies stormed in to arrest him. Deputies said around two-thirds of the 80 arrested have criminal histories, and 16 of those arrested are receiving food stamps or SNAP benefits.

**JOURNAL MULTI-VITAMINS**

**VO: 30**

More than half of all adults in the United States take some sort of multivitamin; many do so in hopes of preventing heart disease and cancer or even to aid with memory. But an editorial published in this week's Annals of Internal Medicine says that using supplements and multivitamins to prevent chronic conditions is a waste of money. The first study was a meta-analysis of 27 studies that covered more than 450,000 participants and found that multivitamins had no beneficial effect on preventing cardiovascular disease or cancer.

In addition, taking vitamins didn't prevent mortality in any way. However, the analysis did confirm that smokers who took only beta carotene supplements increased their risk of lung cancer.

## **HIGH OBAMACARE COSTS CREATING NEW MIDDLE CLASS OF UNINSURED**

**LOURDES MELUZA/ WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG 2:04**

A new subset of uninsured people is finding it doesn't fit into any of the affordable healthcare plans offered through the Affordable Care Act. Many middle-class Americans are falling through the cracks after being dumped into the Obamacare marketplace. They can't get a subsidy because they earn too much, and they can't find an insurance plan they can reasonably afford, forcing some to make a tough decision: to go without health insurance. Most harmed are those who could previously afford to buy their own private plans, but are now being hit with higher premiums along with steep increases for deductibles in the healthcare exchanges - costs that far exceed their household budgets. So, Obamacare is likely to create a new middle class of uninsured people - mostly young and healthy - who, by opting out, will upend the enrollment balance the Affordable Care Act needs to be successful, healthcare experts say.

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**12/17/13**

## **TAMPA BOY GETS 5 ORGAN TRANSPLANTS IN MIAMI**

**LOURDES DEL RIO / MIAMI, FLORIDA**

**PKG: 2:00**

A little boy in Miami underwent five major organ transplants, and came through with a smile on his face. Adonis Ortiz, 3, received transplants for a new liver, a pancreas, a stomach and large and small intestines at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami in October. On Tuesday, the family said he is expected to make a full recovery, especially considering his positive attitude. "He is really strong," said mother Aracelis Ortiz, according to TV Station CBS4 in Miami. "After all his surgeries, he comes out with a smile. I'm like 'How do you come out with a smile? They just chopped you up.'" Adonis appeared at a news conference with a pacifier in his mouth, but he did show off a scar on his stomach that nearly spanned his entire torso.

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**12/18/13**

**OBAMACARE CONCERNS**

**LOURDES DEL RIO / MIAMI, FLORIDA**

**PKG: 2:00**

Concerns among Hispanics that signing up for medical insurance under President Barack Obama's healthcare law may draw the scrutiny of immigration authorities has hurt enrollment, according to advocates of the policy. Convincing Latinos to enroll could be crucial to the law's success, and supporters of Obama's signature domestic policy are aiming their campaign at the 10.2 million Latinos eligible for the new insurance plans or the expansion of the Medicaid program for the poor. As a group, Latinos are younger than the overall population in the United States and signing them up in large numbers under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act could help offset the costs of covering older and sicker people.

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**12/19/13**

**SUPERBUG' BACTERIA WIDESPREAD IN U.S. CHICKEN -CONSUMER GROUP**

**LOURDES DEL RIO / MIAMI, FLORIDA**

**PKG: 2:00**

About half of the raw chicken breasts in a nationwide sampling carried antibiotic-resistant superbug" bacteria, a U.S. consumer group said on Thursday, calling for stricter limits on use of the medicines on livestock. It could be more difficult to treat people if they became ill after eating chicken with the antibiotic-resistant bacteria, said Consumer Reports, which describes itself as the world's largest independent product-testing organization. The group said it tested for six types of bacteria in 316 raw chicken breasts purchased from retailers nationwide during July. Almost all of the samples contained potentially harmful bacteria, it. Some 49.7 percent carried a bacterium resistant to three or more antibiotics, according to the group, and 11 percent had two types of bacteria resistant to multiple drugs. Resistance was most common for the antibiotics used for growth promotion and disease treatment of poultry. Consumer Reports urged passage of a law to restrict eight classes of antibiotics for use only to treat humans and sick animals.

**MONEYGRAM SCAM VICTIMS RECEIVE REIMBURSEMENT CHECKS**

**LUIS MEGID/ SAN FRANCISCO**

**PKG 2:15**

More than 2,000 victims whose bank accounts were cleaned out by MoneyGram scams are starting to see some relief in their mailboxes. Postal inspectors on Tuesday began doling out the first payments to Southern California scam victims as part of a \$100-million deferred prosecution deal with the money transfer company MoneyGram. Among those being reimbursed is Sherman Oaks resident Lori Myslinski, who was tricked into thinking she had won a lottery, only to see her bank balance of more than \$7,000 wiped out. Myslinski isn't alone. Postal inspectors say tens of thousands of people around the country were reeled in and ripped off by corrupt MoneyGram agents from 2004 to 2009. Inspectors ran through a long list of the scams. Postal inspectors say the \$100-million fraud settlement doesn't end their MoneyGram investigation. They are still pursuing criminal charges against the people involved in the scams. In the meantime, they're warning the public to be wary of prizes that require you to pay money up front.

## **ACLA LAWSUIT**

**JAIME GARCIA/ LOS ANGELS**

**PKG 2:02**

A lawsuit that alleges excessive search procedures by U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers has civil- and immigration-rights activists demanding answers and changes. The questions at the heart of the issue are what rights do people have at ports of entry, what powers do agents have and when and where do parts of the Fourth Amendment, which protects people from unlawful searches and seizures, stop applying. U.S. Rep. Beto O'Rourke, D-El Paso, has asked for an investigation into the latest incident in which a New Mexico woman claims in a lawsuit that she was forced to have a cavity search, which included anal and vaginal probes. The lawsuit contends that the 54-year-old woman underwent a brutal and inhumane six-hour full-body cavity search by federal officers on Dec. 8, 2012. The suit was filed Wednesday in U.S. District Court and names the El Paso County Hospital District's Board of Managers, University Medical Center, Drs. Michael Parsa and Christopher Cabanillas, two unknown supervising U.S. Customs and Border Protection officers and two other CBP officers only identified by their last names of Portillo and Herrera as defendants.

## **UNEMPLOYMENT RATES FALL IN NEARLY ALL US STATES**

**VO, 17 SEC**

Unemployment rates fell or were unchanged in all 50 U.S. states in November, evidence that hiring is improving across the country. The Labor Department said Friday that employers added jobs in 43 states and cut jobs in just seven. California, Texas and Indiana reported the largest job gains. The lower state unemployment rates are due in part to robust hiring nationwide over the past four months. U.S. employers added an average of 204,000 jobs from August through November, a strong pickup from earlier this year. The national unemployment rate fell to 7 percent last month, a five-year low. Still, the decline in state unemployment rates has occurred partly because many people have stopped looking for work. When people who are out of work stop looking for jobs, they're no longer counted as unemployed. The unemployment rate can fall as a result. For example, North Carolina's unemployment rate fell to 7.4 percent in November from 8 percent in October. But some of that gain occurred because many of those out of work stopped seeking jobs. Employers in North Carolina actually cut 6,500 positions last month. Nevada and Rhode Island reported the highest unemployment rates: 9 percent each. Nevada's fell from 9.3 percent in October as employers added 9,500 jobs. Rhode Island's declined from 9.2 percent as the state gained 1,400 jobs. Michigan and Illinois reported the next-highest rates, at 8.8 percent and 8.7 percent, respectively. North Dakota remained the state with the lowest unemployment rate, at 2.6 percent. South Dakota's rate of 3.6 percent was the second-lowest, followed by Nebraska at 3.7 percent.

**TSA LAUNCHES NEW WEB SITE PAGES AIMED AT KIDS AND SPANISH-SPEAKING TRAVELERS**

**VO, 17 SEC**

TSA launched two new features on the TSA.gov Web site on December 18 - and a The agency says the new pages are part of TSA's goal to help all passengers understand what to expect when going through airport security. "Passengers who know what to expect during screening will benefit from a more positive screening experience," explained TSA's blogging team. The Spanish Web page is TSA's next step in its plans to connect with passengers in their native language and ensures that Spanish speaking passengers have the most current information and security updates available. TSA's new Web site for kids offers children and parents of young travelers important security information in a fun and engaging way and encourages children to learn more about TSA procedures prior to traveling. The Web site features travel security activities, as well as security related videos and information, to teach children and their parents about the security process. This Web site will not only keep young travelers informed, it will make traveling more enjoyable for the entire family, wrote the blog team.

**DEPORTATIONS WILL LIKELY DROP FOR THE FIRST TIME IN A DECADE THIS YEAR**

**LOURDES DEL RIO / MIAMI, FLORIDA**

**PKG: 2:16**

After rising to record levels under the Barack Obama administration, The decreasing figure, which Bloomberg says is on track to fall by more than 10 percent to a six-year low, resulted from shifting deportation policies adopted by Obama in the face of pressure from activists and Latino leaders frustrated with congressional inaction on immigration reform. The figure marks a turnaround for the president that holds the record for deportations, with nearly 2 million people removed from the country since taking office -- more than double the figure for his predecessor, George W. Bush. During the 2012 presidential campaign, Obama directed Immigration and Customs Enforcement to defer deportation for most undocumented immigrants brought here illegally as children for a renewable, two-year period. The change followed a memo issued by ICE Director John Morton encouraging immigration authorities to use prosecutorial discretion to focus on deporting serious criminals and repeat offenders. But deportations remain high by a historical standard. Bloomberg cited a figure of 343,020 from Oct. 1, 2012 to Sept. 7, 2013, with three weeks of the fiscal year yet to be tallied. That puts 2013's number on par with the 2008 figure of the last year of the Bush administration.

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12/20/13

**TARGET CUSTOMERS ACCOUNTS HACKED**

**LUIS MEGID/ SAN FRANCISCO**

**PKG 1:47**

On Thursday, Target (TGT) announced that 40 million credit and debit card accounts had been compromised by a security breach -- but it took less than 24 hours for fraudsters to try to profit from the confusion. With scams coming from all directions, whom can we trust? Many consumers received an email that seemed to be from Target -- in fact the text was identical to the message the retailer posted on its site -- but upon closer inspection it appears to be a phishing scam designed to fleece more consumers of their personal information.

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**12/21/13**

**COLORADO SCHOOL SHOOTING VICTIM DIES**

**VO: 0:28**

The 17-year-old senior who was in a coma after being shot point-blank at a Colorado high school last week died Saturday with her family at her side, hospital officials said. Claire Esther Davis, a senior at Arapahoe High School in Centennial, Colo., was critically injured when student Karl Halverson Pierson, 18, entered the school building on Dec. 13 armed with a shotgun and Molotov cocktail bombs. In a statement posted on the Littleton Adventist Hospital's Facebook page, officials said Claire's injuries "were too severe and the most advanced medical treatments could not prevent this tragic loss of life."

**TARGET COMPLAINTS AND BACKLASH**

**VO: 0:50**

If you shopped at Target (TGT) during this year's prime holiday buying season, there's a chance your credit or debit card was hacked. There's also a considerable chance that you're also hopping mad right now. Target is experiencing a massive backlash from angry customers, with complaints about lack of information and a toll-free number that's reportedly impossible to get through. Some customers have reported problems logging into Target's REDcard credit card website. The fallout comes a day after Target confirmed about 40 million credit and debit card accounts may have been stolen during a hacking incident that lasted from Nov. 27 to Dec. 15.

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**12/22/13**

**OBAMACARE SIGNUP DEADLINE EXTENDED TO CHRISTMAS EVE**

**VO, 20 SEC**

As Americans scrambled to beat a deadline to sign up for insurance under President Barack Obama's new healthcare law, the White House gave consumers shopping on the program's website an extra day, until Dec. 24, to pick plans for coverage that starts Jan. 1. The last-minute move by the Obama administration to accommodate high demand came on a day when officials reported record traffic on HealthCare.gov, the enrollment website that struggled with glitches after its launch in October.

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**12/23/13**

**PRESIDENT MAKES 'SYMBOLIC' ENROLLMENT IN OBAMACARE**

**VO: 24 SEC**

President Obama enrolled over the weekend for insurance under the Affordable Care Act, the White House said Monday. The president, who is vacationing in Hawaii with his family, was enrolled in ObamaCare by his staff. White House officials said staffers enrolled the president through the District of Columbia exchange and needed to make the transaction in person -- not through the website -because his personal information is not readily available in the government databases used to verify identities. Obama was enrolled before the midnight Monday deadline to get coverage starting Jan. 1, ended speculation about when he would enroll. The White House said the president's enrollment was "symbolic" because he is among the 85 percent of Americans who already get their health insurance through an employer and that he receives health care from the military -- like previous presidents. But he was pleased to participate in a plan as a show of support for these marketplaces, which are providing quality, affordable health care options to more than a million people," the Obama personally selected the so-called Bronze Plan, White House officials said. It is the least expensive of the four ObamaCare plans, costing less than \$400 a month, but comes with the highest deductible and co-payments. He did not sign up his family.

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**12/24/13**

**HEART ATTACKS DURING HOLIDAYS**

**PEDRO ULTRERAS/ NEW YORK**

**PKG 2:13**

It's not just a Western phenomenon; recent research in China found the same thing. The increase includes fatal and nonfatal heart attacks and a less serious condition dubbed "holiday heart syndrome" - an irregular heartbeat caused by too much booze. Reasons for the seasonal increase are uncertain. Theories include cold weather, overindulgence and stress. The hospital's usual rate is two or three a week. American Heart Association spokesman Dr. Richard Stein, a cardiologist at New York University's medical center, said most studies investigating holiday heart trends have found a statistical increase in heart attacks and other problems - not a giant surge but worth noting just the same. It happens in cold climates, sometimes when sedentary people or those with heart disease take on too much snow shoveling, or spend too much time outdoors. Cold weather can constrict arteries, increasing demand on the heart, he said. But it also happens in warm places. Flu season coincides with winter holidays and Stein said that might be a factor since the virus can cause inflammation that also can stress the heart. David Phillips, a sociologist at the University of California's San Diego campus, has long studied when people die. His research, based on millions of death certificates nationwide, shows that cardiac deaths including fatal heart attacks increase almost 5 percent on Christmas Day, the day after and on New Year's Day. Deaths from other causes also increase at holiday time, but not as much, he has found. Phillips estimates that there are 2,000 extra deaths each year, mostly from heart-related problems, linked with Christmas and New Year's. He says hospitals' holiday staffing is a factor, with fewer doctors and nurses working and the most senior employees often on vacation.

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**12/25/13**

**UNEMPLOYMENT ENDS**

**JUAN CARLOS GOZALEZ /LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:02**

The expiration of benefits for 1.3 million jobless Americans this weekend will exacerbate the worst period of chronic unemployment in post-war history, the chairman of the White House council of economic advisers warns. The expiring programme, which provides emergency help for the long-term unemployed, was introduced after the banking crash in 2008 to cushion the impact of the recession but is due to end on Saturday. Congress had an opportunity to continue it, but failed to agree on an extension before breaking for Christmas. Although recent improvements in the economy have boosted overall job growth, economists are concerned that long-term unemployment rates remain higher than at any time between 1948 and the recent financial crisis.

**OBAMACARE DEADLINE HELP**

**VO: 20SEC**

People who can't finish the online signup for Obamacare health insurance by midnight Tuesday because of problems with HealthCare.gov and a surge of last-minute shoppers can seek extra time to finalize their application and still get covered by Jan. 1, the Obama administration said Tuesday afternoon. It's the latest in a series of extensions granted by the administration, which is making a final push to enroll people in coverage taking effect next week. Officials have repeatedly delayed deadlines and announced extra accommodations to maximize enrollment, but the moves also risk increased confusion among consumers. They also expose the administration to further criticism from Obamacare opponents, who say all the last minute changes are indications of the law's failure. Officials stressed that the extra time is only for people who had started enrollment before the Dec. 24 deadline and ran into obstacles.

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#### **DELTA TO HONOR EXTRA-LOW 'MISTAKE FARES'**

**VO: 24 SEC**

It's what some travelers would surely call a day-after-Christmas miracle. Air travelers could book Delta flights for very low prices earlier today, some as low as \$20 round-trip. The airline told ABC News that it would honor these "mistake fares." The frequent fliers on the popular message boards on FlyerTalk.com began reporting the "mistake fares," as they're called in the industry, at 9 a.m. today. By 10:45 a.m., forum participants began reporting that the fares had disappeared. The low fares were available on Delta.com, Expedia, Priceline and elsewhere. Delta customers quickly took to Twitter to try to find out if the fares would be honored. When travelers were able to book fares on United Airlines earlier this year for \$0, the airline did honor those fares.

#### **CONGRESS WITH POOR POPULARITY**

**CLAUDIA UCEDA / WASHINGTON, DC**

**PKG: 2:08**

The worst Congress ever. That's the verdict from two-thirds of Americans about the track record of the 113th Congress, according to a new national poll. And a CNN/ORC International poll released Thursday also indicates that nearly three-quarters of the public say that this has been a "do-nothing" Congress. Two-thirds of those questioned said the current Congress is the worst in their lifetime, with 28% disagreeing.

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12/27/13

## DENVER GIVES 42 PERMITS FOR RECREATIONAL USE OF MARIHUANA

VO: 30

Denver's first recreational marijuana store owners picked up their city licenses Friday, the final step before opening on Jan. 1 among the first shops in the world approved to sell pot to all adults. Larry Stevenson, the director of safety for the city's Excise and Licenses Department, repeatedly dinged a service bell Friday morning as a Denver licensing official handed the first license across the counter to Shawn Phillips, the owner of the Strainwise chain of stores. The handful of people in the licensing office - some of whom had lined up as early as 7:15 a.m. to await the office's 8 a.m. opening - applauded.

## TARGET ASSURES CLIENTS THAT PINS ARE SAFE

VO: 30

Target confirmed Friday that "strongly encrypted" personal identification numbers (or PINs) for debit cards were stolen in a massive security breach in stores earlier this month, but assured customers that the PIN numbers themselves are still safe. "While we previously shared that encrypted data was obtained, this morning through additional forensics work we were able to confirm that strongly encrypted PIN data was removed," the company said in a statement. "We remain confident that PIN numbers are safe and secure. The PIN information was fully encrypted at the keypad, remained encrypted within our system, and remained encrypted when it was removed from our systems."

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## RECREATIONAL MARIHUANA USE IN COLORADO

VO: 30

Colorado will begin allowing recreational marijuana sales on January 1 to anyone age 21 or over. Residents will be able to buy marijuana like alcohol -- except the cannabis purchase is limited to an ounce, which is substantial enough to cost about \$200 or more.

It's a big moment: Colorado will become the first state in the nation to open recreational pot stores and become the first place in the world where marijuana will be regulated from seed to sale. Pot, by the way, is the third most popular recreational drug in America, after alcohol and tobacco, according to the marijuana reform group NORML.

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12/29/13

**OBAMACARE SURGE**

**VO, 26 SEC**

More than 1.1 million people enrolled in the federal health care program by christmas eve.that's what the government announced sunday.one medicare expert says:most of those were in december once the site was up and running better.the obama administration hopes to

have 7 million signed up by the end of march.

**DREAMERS YEAR ENDER**

**JUAN CARLOS GOZALEZ /LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

**PKG 2:08**

For the past six years, thousands of miles separated three Dreamers from their mothers, two of whom were deported. But on June 11, it was only a rusted steel fence that separated these Dreamers from their mothers as they reunited at the Southern borderThe three Dreamers - Evelyn Rivera, Renata Teodora, and Carlos Padilla - traveled to Nogales, Ariz., where they were able to hug their mothers who stood on the Mexico side of the border. The reunion was part of United We Dream's "Operation Butterfly," a campaign calling for an end to the separation of families.Dreamers re-enter the United States: Three Dreamers left the U.S. in July and crossed the border into Mexico with the goal of coming back and bringing with them four other undocumented immigrants who either left the U.S. or were deported recently. They requested asylum in the U.S. In September, another 34 undocumented immigrants crossed an international bridge from Mexico into Texas and requested humanitarian parole. Most of the Dreamers from both groups were released and allowed to stay in the U.S. while a few were deported.Both groups say they did it to raise awareness of the millions of people who have been deported under the Obama administration and could be left out of any immigration reform legislation approved by Congress. Their actions have received praise by some who admire their courage to challenge the nation's immigration policies. At the same time, the activists have received criticism from others who worry their actions could hurt the cases of asylum seekers who have credible fear claims and the chances of passing immigration reform legislation.

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## **MARIHUANA D.C, COLORADO**

### **GALO ARELLANO/ MIAMI, FLORIDA**

**PKG 1:50**

On Wednesday, Colorado becomes the first state in the U.S. to license retail sales of marijuana, which could lure visitors from other states to the "mile high city" by way of the airport. Airport officials have imposed a zero-tolerance marijuana policy to discourage them, Stegman said. A gleaming white Apple store of weed is how Andy Williams sees his new Denver marijuana dispensary. As Colorado prepares to be the first in the nation to allow recreational pot sales, opening Jan. 1, hopeful retailers like Williams are investing their fortunes into the legal recreational pot world -- all for a chance to build even bigger ones in a fledgling industry that faces an uncertain future. By Kristen Wyatt. SENT: 1,400 words, photos, video.

## **NEW YORK AND FLORIDA POPULATION**

**VO: 23**

Florida is nipping at the heels of New York to become the country's third most-populous state. Census figures released Monday show New York has less than a 100,000-person lead in population over Florida. That could change by the first quarter of 2014 as Florida is growing at a rate of 19,000 residents a month, while New York is adding 6,200 people monthly.

## **NEW YORK ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES**

**VO: 23**

Corvallis has banned the sale of electronic cigarettes to those under the age of 18 and also has limited their use to the same venues that currently allow tobacco use. E-cigarettes thus cannot be used in indoor workplaces and public places and within 10 feet of doors and windows or in parks. The ordinance was passed Dec. 16 by the Corvallis City Council and took effect Dec. 26. E-cigarettes are relatively new to the market. The battery-powered devices provide inhaled doses of nicotine through a vaporized solution contained in cartridges inserted into the apparatus. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, e-cigarette use nearly doubled among middle- and high-school students between 2011 and 2012.

## **NEVADA DRIVER LICENSE**

**VO: 19**

A big change is coming for tens of thousands of Nevada drivers next year. Driver authorization cards will be available beginning this week for undocumented immigrants. But the new type of authorization card will only allow people to drive and will not serve as official identification. Illegal immigrants have been driving on Nevada's roads already but the new law will give them driver's licenses to hold them accountable if they get in a crash or get a ticket. That's what state legislatures decided earlier this year by

making the driver authorization cards available. The law was passed with bipartisan support and signed by the governor.

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