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Senator Lankford Statement on President Trump's DACA Decision

WASHINGTON, DC – Senator James Lankford (R-OK) today issued the following statement on the President's decision to end the Deferred Action on Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program with a six-month delay:

"Attorney General Jeff Sessions is correct that the White House is responsible for immigration enforcement and border security, not immigration policy. Making significant policy changes through Executive Action is the wrong approach. This type of immigration policy reform must come from the American people through legislation from Congress.

"It is right for there to be consequences for those who intentionally entered this country illegally. However, we as Americans do not hold children legally accountable for the actions of their parent. In the coming months, Congress must address this issue."

BACKGROUND: President Obama issued an Executive Order in June 2012 to create the Deferred Action on Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program.

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