

**Resolution Title: Resolution in Support of S.1545 (DREAM Act) and H.R. 1648 (Student Adjustment Act)**  
**Submitted by: Professional Staff Congress, Local 2334**

Whereas, education, including higher education, is essential to individual development and the common good; and

Whereas, thousands of undocumented students graduate from American high schools but are deprived, through no fault of their own of the opportunity of to secure a college education and work legally in the United States; and

Whereas, these undocumented students are ineligible for financial aid available to other U. S. residents, and in most states, are compelled to pay the tuition rate charged to out-of-state students; and

Whereas, S.1545 and H.R.1648 would provide conditional resident status to immigrant students who

- have entered the U.S. before age sixteen,
- have at least five years residency in the U.S.,
- have good moral character, and
- have graduated from high school in the U.S. or obtained a U.S. GED; and

Whereas, S.1545 and H.R.1648 would provide such students with legal permanent residence if, within six years, they complete two years of education at a university or community college or serve two years in the U.S. military; and

Whereas, S.1545 and H.R.1648 would allow states to charge such students in-state tuition rates; and

Whereas, this legislation is endorsed by the AFL-CIO; therefore be it

Resolved, that the American Federation of Teachers (AFT) endorse S.1545 and H.R.1648; and be it further

Resolved, that AFT work closely with its locals and other labor and educational organizations to ensure the passage and enactment into law of the two bills, and to work with the states to implement the legislation.

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I hereby certify that the above resolution was approved for submission to the 2004 AFT Convention by the:

Delegate Assembly at a meeting held on May 27, 2004

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(President)

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(Secretary)

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