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Senator Serrano Co-Sponsors Immigration Forum

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Senator Serrano co-sponsored a forum, hosted by Senator Bill Perkins, designed to answer the tough questions on the latest immigration issues. Local elected officials, immigration advocates and community organizations discussed various topics, including workers rights, wage theft and unemployment insurance benefits, immigration fraud, the Secure Communities program, immigration consequences of criminal convictions, and violence against women.

"We have many great challenges in this country, but there is no time to waste on

immigration reform. Not when every delay means another broken family. Not when every delay means that another hard working immigrant gets taken advantage of by a predatory, fraudulent company," said Senator Serrano.

"Knowledge is power, and I'd like to thank Senator Perkins for organizing this forum, which will arm immigrants and their families with what they need to know regarding the most pressing immigration issues facing our communities today."

The forum was held at Wadleigh High School in Harlem, and was widely attended by local advocates and families.