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"It's the President's Turn" (editorial, April 9) speaks of the need for President Bush to lay out specifics for resolving the **immigration** impasse. But it does not appear as if Mr. Bush has much, if any, credibility left -- and certainly not in an amount sufficient to move the House or the Senate in any particular direction.

While polls leave many basic questions unanswered, they reflect public opinion at the moment, and in this case, a substantial majority of the public wants the borders closed to any further illegal crossing.

Unless and until a final legislative proposal includes effective, enforceable means of preventing illegal entry into the United States, there will not be support by voters for any measure that offers a path to legal presence for those who are here now illegally.

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