



Senator talks about visa holdup

On Monday, NewsChannel 15 had a chance to ask US Senator Jim Demint what he thought of the visa hold up that could cause a labor shortage in Myrtle Beach.

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He said the problem is the temporary visas were "held hostage" during the big immigration debate.

We asked if he thought things would be worked out by this summer.

"I don't know if it'll be fixed in time for this season. And unfortunately a lot of business in South Carolina supported the big amnesty because in that they would have gotten an expansion of H 2B," said Demint.

Demint said he's working across party lines to try to get the issue resolved, but he could not say by when.