

## Report

# Report on State Immigration Laws | 2020

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## Introduction

Many state legislatures took a break from the topic of immigration in 2020 as the pandemic and economic crises created new priorities for legislative action. Exclusion of immigrant families and children from federal COVID-19 and economic stimulus laws, however, led several states to respond with new state funding and community outreach.

Examples include health care for immigrant seniors, tenant protections and extension of eligibility for public benefit during the pandemic. States also continued working on professional licenses for immigrants, regardless of immigration status. Virginia, with new Democratic majorities, became the latest state to enact driving privilege cards and in-state tuition rates for unauthorized immigrants and the creation of an Office for New Americans.

## What's the Outlook?

The Biden administration released a four-page summary of the U.S. Citizenship Act of 2021, breathing new life into comprehensive immigration reform, last achieved in 1986. Some areas have bipartisan congressional support, such as relief for young undocumented immigrants (DACA), a pathway to legalization, improved border technology, and immigrant integration. The expertise and innovations at the state level may yet help inform and advance national immigration reform.

## What Are the Numbers?

On average, state legislators enact about 147 laws a year, considering measures as varied as immigration enforcement and public safety, occupational and driver's licenses, and access to benefits.

Enacted legislation related to immigration decreased in 2020 by 30% to 127 laws, compared with 181 laws in 2019. The number of resolutions decreased by 41% to 79 from 135 in 2019.

Lawmakers in 32 states, and the District of Columbia enacted 127 laws and 79 resolutions related to immigration, for a total of 206. Montana, Nevada, North Dakota and Texas did not hold regular sessions in 2020. Alabama, Alaska, Connecticut, Delaware, Iowa, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Wisconsin and Wyoming did not enact any new immigration-related legislation in 2020.

## Trends

## Pandemic relief

State legislatures took innovative approaches to sustaining access to health care and public benefits during COVID-19 for citizens and immigrants alike.

Colorado created a health insurance program for residents with incomes below 300 percent of the poverty line, including immigrants, regardless of status, who are ineligible for other health plans.

Illinois created health benefits for immigrant seniors with incomes below 100 percent of poverty who are ineligible for medical assistance due to immigration status.

Vermont provided health and human services assistance for residents during the pandemic, including new Americans, refugees and immigrants. Vermont also created an economic stimulus equity program for individuals who are current residents, were residents on April 1, 2020, and were ineligible to receive an economic impact payment under the CARES Act due to immigration status.

Minnesota extended human services program waivers during the COVID-19 emergency, including the federally funded Refugee Cash Assistance Program and Refugee Social Services Program.

California is allowing remote eligibility interviews for cash assistance for immigrants who are elderly, blind or disabled until 2024.

The District of Columbia authorized the mayor to extend eligibility for any public benefit program, including the DC Healthcare Alliance and Immigrant Children's program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families and Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program, until 60 days after the end of a public health emergency.

## Tenant protections

California authorized grants to provide eviction defense and prioritized legal aid agencies in rural or underserved communities which serve clients regardless of immigration status. Colorado enacted the immigrant tenant protection act, and the District of Columbia prohibited notices to vacate during the public health emergency.

## Employment

New Jersey, New Mexico and New York now permit occupational or professional licenses regardless of citizenship or immigration status. California created a social entrepreneurs for economic development initiative to help those with significant barriers to employment, including limited English proficiency. Washington established the international medical graduates implementation work group to create criteria for clinical readiness and grants for clinical training.

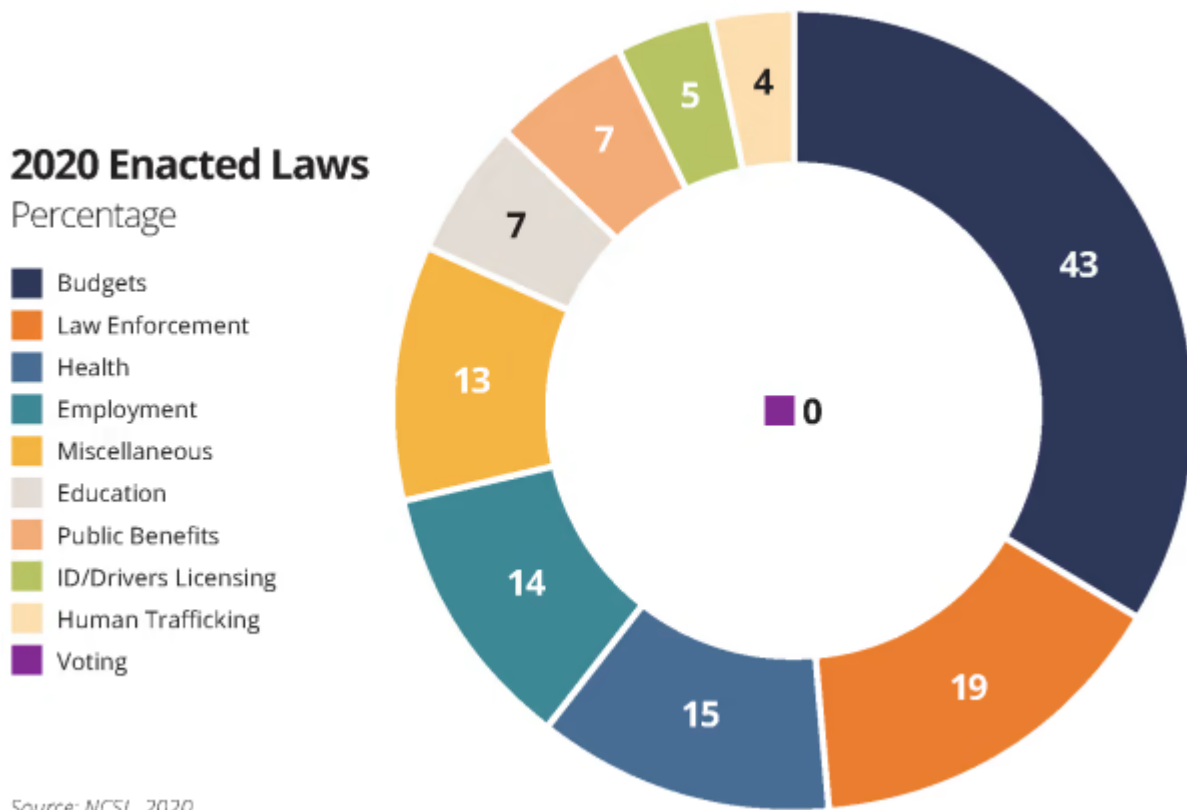
## Law enforcement

California and Colorado require compliance with detention standards of care and with the review and inspection of facilities that house noncitizens. Missouri, Mississippi and West Virginia bar notaries public from acting as immigration consultants. Washington limits collection or disclosure of information

regarding immigrant status in courts and bars notification of federal immigration authorities of those attending proceedings or accessing court services, unless required by federal law or court order.

## Resolutions urging congressional action

The District of Columbia opposes the Department of Homeland Security’s public charge rule and urges Congress to enact comprehensive immigration reform. Georgia and Tennessee urge the president of the United States and the U.S. Congress to enact legislation securing the citizenship of internationally adopted adult individuals. Louisiana requests the members of the Louisiana congressional delegation to work with President Donald J. Trump and his administration on providing an exemption to the immigration ban for teachers on a J-1 visa.



## Categories of Immigration-Related Laws Enacted by Year 2020

Category	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Budgets	29	20	33	35	26	36	54	45	43
Education	7	15	9	23	8	17	28	22	7
Employment	10	14	18	10	4	9	15	32	14
Health	9	14	10	22	8	6	8	10	15

Human Trafficking	9	10	8	7	3	5	4	4	4
ID/Driver's Licensing	12	34	18	19	8	19	14	10	5
Law Enforcement	20	16	23	15	7	28	23	34	19
Miscellaneous	5	11	2	10	4	3	7	8	13
Public Benefits	9	10	10	8	2	7	19	14	7
Voting	3	2	1	4	0	3	3	2	0
Resolutions	92	231	84	239	159	195	222	135	79
Total (Excluding Resolutions)	114	146	132	153	70	133	175	181	127
Total (Including Resolutions)	206	377	216	392	229	328	397	316	06

## Budget

Lawmakers in 22 states enacted 43 laws: Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Utah, Virginia, Vermont and Washington.

These laws typically appropriate funds for refugee services, migrant health, naturalization services, law enforcement, or education and English as a second language programs.

Examples:

- **New Jersey SB 2021.** This budget law includes funds for migrants, refugees and the state criminal alien assistance program. It also includes funds for legal assistance to individuals facing detention or deportation based on their immigration status.
- **New York SB 7508.** This budget law includes provisions that remove the requirements for various licenses that the applicant be a citizen or lawful permanent resident.
- **Vermont HB 969.** This appropriations law includes funds for the Department of Health to address health equity and COVID-19-related health disparities. The department shall conduct outreach to Vermonters at high risk of adverse outcomes from the COVID-19 pandemic based on factors such as

race, ethnicity, Native American heritage or tribal affiliation, nationality or immigrant status, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, age, geographic location or English language proficiency. The law includes an economic stimulus equity program for individuals who are current residents, were residents on April 1, 2020, and were ineligible to receive an economic impact payment under the CARES Act due to immigration status.

- **Virginia HB 5005a.** This budget law reduces appropriations to recognize the loss of general fund revenue associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. It includes a provision eliminating funds for legal, social and language services for low-income immigrants who are victims of crime, including victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, human trafficking and child abuse, abandonment and neglect.

## Education

Lawmakers in four states enacted seven laws: Colorado, Indiana, Virginia and Washington.

These laws usually pertain to immigration and residency requirements for access to higher education, in-state tuition or financial assistance at educational institutions. Some laws address enhanced learning for refugees or English learners.

Examples:

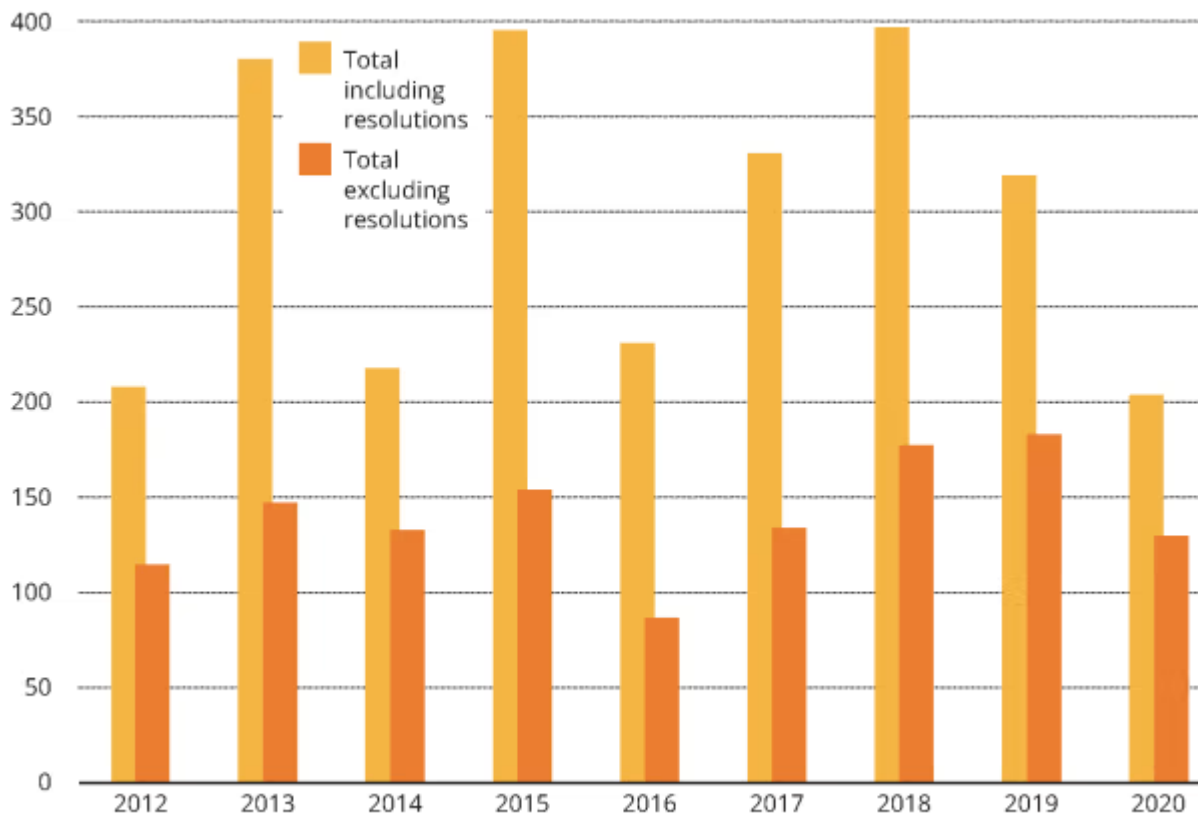
- **Colorado HB 1001a.** This law, in response to COVID-19, provides resources to help students, educators and other staff access broadband service so students may benefit from online instruction and prevent learning loss, particularly for low-income and other academically at-risk students. The General Assembly found that students from low-income backgrounds, students experiencing homelessness, migrant students, students from rural Colorado and students in foster care are less likely to have access to broadband service.
- **Virginia HB 1547/SB 935.** This law allows students who meet certain criteria to be eligible for in-state tuition regardless of their citizenship or immigration status. Criteria includes attending a Virginia high school for at least two years, graduating and being accepted to a higher education institution. Students, or if dependent, their parents, must have paid Virginia income tax for two years.

## Employment

Lawmakers in 10 states enacted 14 laws: California, Florida, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Vermont, Washington and West Virginia.

These laws address eligibility for unemployment insurance, workers' compensation, work authorization and E-Verify, employer retaliation and occupational licensing. In 2020, three states adopted the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact: North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

## Immigration-Related Laws Enacted, 2020



Source: NCSL, 2020

### Examples:

- **California AB 2113.** This law requires licensing boards to expedite the initial licensure process for an applicant who is a refugee, has been granted asylum or has a special immigrant visa.
- **Florida SB 664.** Beginning Jan. 1, 2021, every public employer, contractor and subcontractor must register with and use the E-Verify system to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees. Beginning Jan. 1, 2021, a private employer must, after making an offer of employment which has been accepted, verify the worker's employment eligibility. This applies to private employers with public contracts or applicants for certain tax incentives.
- **New Jersey SB 2455.** This law states that lawful presence in the United States is not required to obtain a professional or occupational license, provided that the applicant meets all other requirements for licensure.
- **New Mexico SB 137.** This law confirms that a person is eligible for an occupational or professional license or certification for which that person is qualified, regardless of the person's citizenship or immigration status.

## Health

Lawmakers in nine states and the District of Columbia enacted 15 laws: California, Colorado, Florida, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, North Carolina, Virginia and Washington.

These laws typically pertain to eligibility requirements for Medicaid and the state Children's Health Insurance Program, language access and eligibility criteria for licenses within the health profession.

Examples:

- **Colorado HB 1236.** This law creates the Colorado affordable health care coverage easy enrollment program to connect uninsured Coloradans to free or subsidized health care coverage. It includes a provision barring requests for citizenship, immigration or health status in the eligibility assessment.
- **Florida HB 713.** The health department may adopt rules to implement the federal Conrad 30 Waiver Program for foreign medical graduates created under s. 214(l) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. The program addresses the shortage of qualified doctors in medically underserved areas.
- **Illinois HB357.** This budget law includes authority for the Department of Healthcare and Family Services to provide medical assistance to noncitizens older than 65. This applies to people who are not eligible due to their immigration status, whose income is at or below 100% of the federal poverty level after deducting the costs of medical or other remedial care, and who would otherwise meet the eligibility requirements.
- **Kentucky SB 72.** This law addressing female genital mutilation requires the department of public health to create educational materials and disseminate them to health care providers, teachers, law enforcement personnel, and immigration and refugee resettlement agencies that may reasonably be expected to come into contact with individuals who may be at risk of suffering female genital mutilation.
- **Louisiana SB 27b.** This law adopts the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact and amends qualifications of applications to include those with valid and current legal authority to reside and work in the United States in addition to citizens.
- **Maryland HB 1420.** This law on hospital finance policies bars hospitals from using a patient's citizenship or immigration status as an eligibility requirement for financial assistance. It also prohibits withholding financial assistance on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry or national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information or disability.
- **Washington SB 6551.** This law establishes the International Medical Graduates Implementation Work Group. The group will propose clinical readiness criteria for medical school graduation or residency admission, propose a grant award process to provide career guidance and clinical training, and provide policy recommendations and an annual report to the legislature.

## Human Trafficking

Lawmakers in four states passed four laws: Kentucky, Nebraska, Utah and Washington.

These laws provide benefits and protections to victims of human trafficking and address penalties for traffickers.

Examples:

- **Nebraska LB 518.** This law, the Support for Trafficking Survivors Act, creates a statewide advisory board, creation of a state plan and a fund for services and for enforcement. It also requires law

enforcement officers to complete forms for nonimmigrant T and U visas for victims of human trafficking who help in the investigation or prosecution of human traffickers.

- **Washington SB 5164.** This law provides for food assistance for victims of human trafficking, including noncitizens and qualifying family members who are applying for T nonimmigrant visas.

## ID/Driver's License

Lawmakers in three states enacted five laws: Georgia, Virginia and West Virginia.

In addition to providing for the eligibility of state-issued identification cards and driver's licenses, these laws address a range of topics, including professional licenses, firearm permits, hunting permits, and documentation requirements for driver's license applications.

Examples:

- **Virginia HB 1211/SB 34.** This law creates a driving privilege card or permit for applicants who do not meet the requirements for a driver's license or permit. The applicant must have reported income and deductions from Virginia sources, or been claimed as a dependent, on an individual income tax return filed in the preceding 12 months and may not be in violation of the insurance requirements. Applicants may not be required to present proof of legal presence in the United States. A driver privilege card or permit will expire on the applicant's second birthday following the date of issuance. The front of a driver privilege card or permit must be identical in appearance to a driver's license or permit that is not a REAL ID credential and the back of the card or permit must be identical in appearance to the restriction on the back of a limited-duration license, permit or special identification card.
- **Virginia SB 761.** This law amends driver's licensing requirements to permit the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue a limited-duration driver's license and special identification card to an applicant with a valid, unexpired Employment Authorization Document.

## Law Enforcement

Lawmakers in nine states and the District of Columbia enacted 19 laws: California, Colorado, Missouri, Mississippi, Utah, Virginia, Vermont, Washington and West Virginia.

These laws typically pertain to enforcing immigration laws and sharing state information with federal law enforcement agencies, but also include regulations on sanctuary policies, certifications for U visas and those working as notary publics and immigration consultants. In 2020, three states barred notaries public from acting as an immigration consultant: Missouri, Mississippi and West Virginia.

Examples:

- **California AB 3228.** This law requires private detention facilities to comply with the detention standards of care and confinement agreed upon in the facility's contract for operations. Existing law requires the attorney general to engage in reviews of county, local and private locked detention facilities in which noncitizens are being housed or detained for purposes of civil immigration proceedings in California.



- **Colorado HB 1409.** Under current law, the Department of Public Health and Environment is charged with making annual sanitary, sewerage and health inspections of penal institutions. The law defines “penal institutions” and includes in that definition public and private facilities that house noncitizens for civil immigration proceedings, including minors, on behalf of the federal Office of Refugee Resettlement or Immigration and Customs Enforcement. The law specifically authorizes unannounced follow-up inspections by the department. The law requires a report to the governor and House and Senate judiciary committees.
- **District of Columbia Bill 823.** This law amends standby guardianship law, on an emergency basis, to enable a parent or legal guardian subject to an adverse immigration action or who has been exposed to COVID-19 to make short-term plans for a child without terminating or limiting that person’s parental or custodial rights.
- **Mississippi HB 1156.** This law addressing notaries public includes a provision that they may not act as an immigration consultant or an expert on immigration matters or represent a person in a judicial or administrative proceeding relating to immigration to the United States, U.S. citizenship or related matters.
- **Washington HB 2567.** This law includes a provision barring judges, court staff, court security personnel, prosecutors and personnel of the prosecutor’s office from inquiring or collecting information about an individual’s immigration or citizenship status, or place of birth, unless there is a connection between such information and an investigation into a violation of state or local criminal law. The court may enter orders or conditions to maintain limited disclosure of any information regarding immigration status as it deems appropriate to protect the liberty interests of victims, the accused, civil litigants, witnesses and those who have accompanied victims to a court facility. The court may not release non-publicly available personal information about an individual, including those subject to community custody to federal immigration authorities for the purpose of civil immigration enforcement. It also may not notify federal immigration authorities of the presence of individuals attending proceedings or accessing court services in court facilities, unless required by federal law or court order.

See NCSL’s [FAQ on sanctuary policy](#) for more information.

## Miscellaneous

Lawmakers in six states and the District of Columbia enacted 13 laws: California, Colorado, Minnesota, Virginia, Washington and West Virginia.

This category typically includes immigration-related issues that do not fit in other categories and are addressed infrequently, memberships on task forces and commissions, and studies of immigration. Issues in 2020 included tenant protections and permission to use the Individual Taxpayer Identification Number instead of Social Security Number for certain tax benefits.

Examples:

- **California AB 3133.** This law amends the Welfare and Institutions Code, to read: “A refugee shall not be denied resettlement anywhere in California based on any criterion, method of administration, or practice that discriminates on the basis of race, religion, ethnicity, sexual orientation.”

- **Colorado SB 224.** The law creates the Immigrant Tenant Protection Act, which prohibits a landlord from engaging in certain housing practices or related activities based on the immigration or citizenship status of a tenant.
- **Virginia HB 1209/SB 991.** This law creates an Office of New Americans in the Department of Social Services to assist immigrant integration on an economic, social and cultural level. The law also creates an Office of New Americans Advisory Board in the executive branch of state government to improve state policies and programs to support the economic, linguistic and civic integration of new Americans, and requires an annual report to the governor and General Assembly.

## Public Benefits

Lawmakers in five states and the District of Columbia enacted seven laws: California, Hawaii, Minnesota, New Mexico and Washington.

These laws address social service programs that affect all people covered by the programs—immigrants and nonimmigrants alike—and laws that ensure benefits are granted only to eligible immigrants.

Examples:

- **District of Columbia Bill 869.** This coronavirus support law includes a provision allowing the mayor to extend eligibility for any public benefit program, including the DC Healthcare Alliance and Immigrant Children's program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families and Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program, until 60 days after the end of a public health emergency.
- **Hawaii HB 1978.** This law clarifies that family court has jurisdiction over unmarried individuals younger than 21 for purposes of awarding custody or guardianship for special immigrant juvenile status.
- **Minnesota HB 105b.** This human services law extends the expiration of certain human services program waivers during the COVID-19 emergency, including the federally funded Refugee Cash Assistance Program and Refugee Social Services Program.

## Resolutions

Legislators in 16 states and the District of Columbia adopted 79 resolutions: California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Michigan, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah and Virginia.

Resolutions generally proclaim days or months of recognition in honor of immigrants and cultural heritage of immigrants, commend individuals and urge the federal government to take action.

Examples:

- **District of Columbia Resolution 696.** This resolution states strong opposition to the Department of Homeland Security's public charge rule and policies that evoke fear or discourage individuals from seeking rights and benefits to which they are entitled. It also urges the U.S. Congress to promptly

enact legislation accomplishing comprehensive immigration reform that treats all immigrants justly and reflects the basic principles of human dignity and human rights.

- **Florida HR 8041.** The United States and Florida have thrived as a melding of immigrants, and there is a strong connection between Haitians and Florida as 46% of Haitian Americans live in the state. This resolution designates May 2020 as Haitian Heritage Month.
- **Georgia HR 956.** This resolution recognizes Jan. 28, 2020, as Korean American Day at the state Capitol. Korean Americans have made significant political, cultural, social and economic contributions to the State of Georgia, the United States and the marketplace. More than 120,000 Korean Americans call Georgia home, and Korean is the third most spoken language in the state of Georgia.
- **Georgia HR 1079.** This resolution recognizes and commends the refugee population in Georgia on their journey to becoming Georgians and their significant contributions to this state's culture and economy. Georgia has, for over 30 years, embraced refugees fleeing violence and persecution through its resettlement program and annually welcomes 2,500 to 3,000 refugees.
- **Georgia SR 376.** This resolution urges the president of the United States and the U.S. Congress to enact legislation securing the citizenship of internationally adopted adult individuals.
- **Louisiana HR 66a.** This resolution requests the members of the Louisiana congressional delegation to work with President Donald J. Trump and his administration on providing an exemption to the immigration ban for teachers on a J-1 visa.
- **Michigan HR 313.** This resolution declares Sept. 21, 2020, as Maltese American Heritage Day in the state of Michigan. Over 12,600 Michiganders are Maltese immigrants or children of Maltese immigrants, making the Metro Detroit area the largest concentration of Maltese Americans in the nation.
- **Pennsylvania SR 303.** This resolution observes March 1, 2020, as St. David's Day, honoring the many Welsh immigrants that have settled in the state. The commonwealth has a concentration of people of Welsh ancestry that is greater than any other state.
- **Rhode Island SR 2880.** This recognizes and supports the Census Day of Action on April 1, 2020, and the outreach efforts of local governments and community-based organizations, particularly those with connections to traditionally hard-to-count and undercounted communities. One of the concerns to ensuring a fair and accurate count in the 2020 census for Rhode Island is that there are significant numbers of groups considered hard to count, including immigrants who may or may not have legal status, non-fluent English speakers, low-income and homeless people, racial and ethnic minorities, and young people.
- **Tennessee HJR 885.** This resolution congratulates President Donald J. Trump's acquittal on two articles of impeachment and praises Trump for his accomplishments as our nation's 45th president. Trump has improved vetting and screening for refugees and switched focus to overseas resettlement and has begun building the wall for strong borders and less crime.
- **Tennessee SJR 832.** The Child Citizenship Act of 2000 aimed to provide equal treatment under United States law for adopted and biological children by granting citizenship to internationally born adoptees. However, when the act became law, it did not apply to internationally born adoptees who were already older than 18. This resolution urges the president and Congress to enact legislation securing the citizenship of internationally adopted adult individuals.

- **Utah HR 1.** This resolution recognizes the hundreds of Tutsi refugees who have been granted asylum by the United States, have relocated to the state of Utah and are rebuilding their lives and families as a growing and integral part of the community. It designates April 7 as the Day of Remembrance for the Victims of the Genocide Against the Tutsi in Rwanda.
- **Virginia HR 632a.** This resolution commends the Philippine Cultural Center of Virginia on its 20th anniversary of service to the Hampton Roads community. The Philippine Cultural Center of Virginia preserves the history and heritage of the Filipino community in the United States and pays tribute to Filipino immigrants who have served and sacrificed as members of the U.S. armed forces.
- **Virginia SR 542a.** This resolution commends retired Lt. Col. Alexander Semyon Vindman for his honorable military service and commitment to the preservation and defense of the Constitution and its values upon which this nation was founded. He was born in Ukraine.

## 2020 Legislation on Immigration

State	Type	Bill	Title	Action	Commentary	Subject
AR	H	1066	Appropriations Provision	Enacted	This appropriations law includes funds for the refugee resettlement program.	Budgets
AZ	S	1683	Budget Reconciliation	Enacted	This budget reconciliation law includes an appropriation for the gang and immigration intelligence team enforcement mission fund and requires legislative review of the expenditure plan.	Budgets
AZ	S	1692	General Appropriations Act	Enacted	This appropriations law includes a line item for the gang and immigration intelligence team enforcement mission.	Budgets
CA	A	79	Human Services Omnibus	Enacted	This human services appropriations law includes a provision allowing remote eligibility interviews for	Budgets

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					the cash assistance program for aged, blind, and disabled legal immigrants until Jan. 1, 2024.	
CA	S	74	Budget Act	Enacted	This appropriations law includes funds for immigrant integration, migrant and seasonal farmworkers, migrant education, Dreamer Resource Liaisons and refugee services.	Budgets
CA	S	98	Education Omnibus Budget Trailer Bill	Enacted	This education budget law includes the California Newcomer Education and Well-Being Program (CalNEW) to provide services for refugees, unaccompanied undocumented minors and immigrant families.	Budgets
CA	S	115	Budget Act	Enacted	This budget law includes funds for migrant education, childcare and legal services for unaccompanied undocumented children.	Budgets
CA	S	116	Postsecondary Education Trailer Bill	Enacted	This education budget law redirects funds for the California Dreamer Service Incentive Grant Program for the 2019-20 and 2020-21 fiscal years to provide	Budgets

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					emergency disaster relief financial aid to these students.	
CA	S	820	Education Finance	Enacted	This education finance law includes a provision postponing an observation protocol for teaching English Language Learners by an additional year to 2022.	Budgets
CO	H	1243	Supplemental Appropriations	Enacted	This supplemental appropriations law for the department of corrections includes a line item for the state criminal alien assistance program.	Budgets
CO	H	1248	Supplemental Appropriations	Enacted	This supplemental human services appropriations law includes a line item for refugee resettlement.	Budgets
CO	H	1360	Long Bill	Enacted	This budget law includes funding for the state criminal alien assistance program and the refugee resettlement program.	Budgets
GA	H	793	Appropriations for State Government Operation	Enacted	This budget law includes funds for employment, health screening, medical, cash and social services assistance to refugees.	Budgets

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ID	S	1341	Appropriations Provision	Enacted	This budget law includes an appropriation to the state criminal alien assistance program.	Budgets
IL	H	64	Capital Development Board	Enacted	This law appropriates funds for an immigrant training center, refugee services and migrant services.	Budgets
IL	S	264	Supplemental Appropriations	Enacted	This supplemental appropriations law includes funding for immigrant services, migrant child care, refugee health care and refugee resettlement.	Budgets
IL	H	357			This budget law includes authority for the Department of Healthcare and Family Services to provide medical assistance to noncitizens older than 65. This applies to people who are not eligible due to their immigration status, whose income is at or below 100% of the federal poverty level after deducting the costs of medical or other remedial care, and who would otherwise meet the eligibility requirements.	Budgets

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KS	S	66	Appropriations Provision	Enacted	This appropriations law includes funds for migrant health, migrant education, refugee assistance and the state criminal alien incarceration grant fund.	Budgets
LA	H	1	Appropriations	Enacted	This state government appropriations law includes a line item for cash grants to impoverished refugees, repatriated U.S. citizens and disaster victims.	Budgets
MD	S	190	Budget Bill	Enacted	This budget law includes funds for the Maryland Office for Refugees and Asylees.	Budgets
MI	H	5396	Omnibus Budget Appropriation	Enacted	This omnibus budget law includes funds for refugee assistance and disability assistance for aliens exempt from the supplemental security income citizenship requirement who are over the age of 18. It bars state emergency relief payments to out-of-state residents and illegal immigrants. Except as required by federal law or regulations, funds may not be used to provide public assistance to a person who is not a U.S. citizen, permanent	Budgets



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					resident alien, or refugee. The law prohibits reimbursement of corrections funds to any county that enacts policy that bars employees from communicating with appropriate federal officials. The transportation department's contractors and subcontractors must agree to use the E-Verify system to verify that all people hired during the contract term by the contractor or subcontractor are legally present and authorized to work in the U.S.	
MI	S	927	Education Budget	Enacted	This education budget law includes a line item for migrant education.	Budgets
MO	H	2002	Appropriations Bill	Enacted	This education appropriations law includes a line item for the Refugee Children School Impact Grants Program.	Budgets
MO	H	2003	Appropriations Bill	Enacted	This education appropriations law includes a provision barring funds to offer scholarships or a tuition rate at public institutions of higher	Budgets

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					education to any student with an unlawful immigration status in the U.S. that is less than the tuition rate charged to international students.	
MO	H	2010	Appropriations Bill	Enacted	This appropriations law includes funds for naturalization assistance to refugees and/or legal immigrants who: have resided in Missouri more than five years, are unable to benefit or attend classroom instruction, and who require special assistance to successfully attain the requirements to become a citizen. A report must be compiled for the General Assembly evaluating the program's effectiveness in helping senior refugees and immigrants in establishing citizenship and their ability to qualify individuals for Medicare.	Budgets
NJ	A	3	Appropriations Act	Enacted	This supplemental appropriations law includes funding for the state criminal alien assistance program, refugees, migrant	Budgets

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					education and migrant housing.	
NJ	S	2021	Fiscal Budget	Enacted	This budget law includes funds for migrants, refugees and the state criminal alien assistance program. It also includes funds for legal assistance to individuals facing detention or deportation based on their immigration status.	Budgets
NM	H	2	General Appropriation Act	Enacted	This appropriations law includes funding from the federal temporary assistance for needy families block grant to provide cash assistance grants to participants as defined in the New Mexico Works Act, including wage subsidies for participants, two clothing allowances per year, diversion payments and state-funded payments to aliens.	Budgets
NY	S	7500	State Operations Budget	Enacted	This budget law includes line items for health and nutritional services for migrant and seasonal farmworkers, refugee resettlement and programs which assist	Budgets

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					noncitizens, such as legal services, case management, English-as-a-second-language and job training.	
NY	S	7503	Aid to Localities Budget	Enacted	This budget law includes line items for grants to welcome refugee and immigrant students; support and case management services for at-risk youth, with a focus on unaccompanied children entering the U.S. and residing within Nassau and Suffolk counties; and services to assist refugees and asylees in attaining economic self-sufficiency and reducing reliance on public assistance benefits.	Budgets
NY	S	7508	Budget Provision	Enacted	This budget law removes the requirement that applicants for various licenses must be a citizen or lawful permanent resident.	Budgets
PA	H	1083	Repealing an Outdated Act	Enacted	This budget law includes a provision that applies to appropriations for the Department of Human Services. The provisions of 8 U.S.C. Sections 1611 (relating	Budgets

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					to unqualified aliens who are ineligible for federal public benefits), 1612 (relating to the limited eligibility of qualified aliens for certain Federal programs) and 1642 (relating to verification of eligibility for federal public benefits) must apply to payments and providers. It also includes funds for emergency immigration education assistance.	
PA	H	2387	General Fund Appropriations	Enacted	This appropriations law includes funding for incarcerated aliens, migrant education, refugees and asylees.	Budgets
PA	S	1350	Appropriations	Enacted	This appropriations law includes a line items for appropriating funds for refugees and for educating children of migrant workers.	Budgets
TN	H	2821	Fiscal Year Appropriations	Enacted	This budget law includes a line item for the state criminal alien assistance program.	Budgets
UT	H	7	Social Services Base Budget	Enacted	This budget law includes a line item for refugee assistance.	Budgets
VA	H	29	Budget Bill	Enacted	This budget law includes line items for	Budgets

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					migrant workers and the state criminal alien assistance program, administered by the U.S. Department of Justice.	
VA	H	30	Budget Bill	Enacted	This budget law includes funds for migrant education and health, incarceration of aliens, and outreach for eligible immigrants for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.	Budgets
VA	H	5005	Budget Bill	Enacted	This budget law reduces appropriations to recognize the loss of general fund revenue associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. It includes a provision eliminating funds for legal, social and language services for low-income immigrants who are victims of crime, including victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, human trafficking and child abuse, abandonment, and neglect.	Budgets
VT	H	965	Coronavirus Relief Fund Appropriations	Enacted	This law appropriates funds to cover necessary health care- and human services-related expenses	Budgets

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					<p>incurred due to the COVID-19 pandemic. It directs the Department of Health to provide grants to community agencies to provide direct services to populations most likely to experience adverse outcomes from COVID-19 based on factors such as race or ethnicity, immigrant status, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, age, and geographic location. The law provides support for new Americans, refugees and immigrants related to COVID-19.</p>	
VT	H	969	Appropriations Act	Enacted	<p>This appropriations law includes funds for the Department of Health to address health equity and COVID-19-related health disparities. It directs the department to conduct outreach to Vermonters at high risk of adverse outcomes from the COVID-19 pandemic based on factors such as race, ethnicity, Native American heritage or tribal affiliation, nationality or immigrant status, sexual orientation,</p>	Budgets

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					gender identity, disability, age, geographic location or English language proficiency. The law includes an economic stimulus equity program for individuals who are current residents, were residents on April 1, 2020, and were ineligible to receive an economic impact payment under the CARES Act due to immigration status.	
WA	S	6168	Fiscal Biennium Supplemental Operating Appropriations	Enacted	This supplemental appropriations law includes continuation of funds for immigrant services and new grants to create heritage language programs for immigrant and refugee students.	Budgets
MN	H	2682	Appropriations Provision	Enacted	This appropriations law includes funds for the Community Identity and Heritage Grant Program. Priority must be given to grants for individuals and organizations working to create, celebrate, and teach indigenous arts and cultural activities as well as to arts organizations and programs preserving,	Budgets



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					sharing, and teaching the arts and cultural heritage of immigrant communities in Minnesota.	
CO	H	1001	Grants To Improve Internet Access In P-12 Education	Enacted	This law, in response to COVID-19, provides resources to help students, educators and other staff access broadband service so students may benefit from online instruction and prevent learning loss, particularly for low-income and other academically at-risk students. The General Assembly found that students who are from low-income backgrounds or migrant families, experiencing homelessness, living in rural areas or in foster care are less likely to have access to broadband service.	Education
IN	S	398	Education Matters	Enacted	This education law requires high schools to include the naturalization examination given by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services as part of the U.S. government courses. It requires the department to report to the General Assembly, beginning in	Education

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					2022, the number of students who took the naturalization examination and the number who passed.	
VA	H	1179	Public Higher Education Tuition	Enacted	This law amends in-state tuition eligibility criteria to include refugees and individuals with certain Special Immigrant Visas.	Education
VA	H	1315	Public Institutions of Higher Education	Enacted	This law amends in-state tuition eligibility so that no student will be deemed ineligible to receive in-state tuition charges based solely on the immigration status of the parent.	Education
VA	H	1547	Public Institutions of Higher Education	Enacted	This law allows students who meet certain criteria to be eligible for in-state tuition regardless of their citizenship or immigration status. Criteria includes attending a Virginia high school for at least two years, graduating and being accepted to a higher education institution. Students, or if dependent, their parents, must have paid Virginia income tax for two years.	Education

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VA	S	935	Public Institutions of Higher Education	Enacted	This law allows students who meet certain criteria to be eligible for in-state tuition regardless of their citizenship or immigration status. Criteria includes attending a Virginia high school for at least two years, graduating and being accepted at a higher education institution. Students, or if dependent, their parents, must have paid Virginia income tax for two years.	Education
WA	H	2816	Positive Social and Emotional School Climates	Enacted	This law requires the School Directors' Association to develop a model policy and procedure for nurturing a positive social and emotional school and classroom climate. School districts must provide information to the parents and guardians of enrolled students regarding students' rights to a free public education, regardless of immigration status or religious beliefs and must provide meaningful access to this information for families with limited English proficiency.	Education

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CA	A	846	Public Employment: Peace Officers	Enacted	California requires peace officers to meet certain minimum standards, including a medical evaluation. This law amends the evaluation to include bias against race or ethnicity, gender, nationality, religion, disability or sexual orientation.	Employment
CA	A	2113	Special Immigrant Visa Holders: Initial Licensure	Enacted	This law requires licensing boards to expedite the initial licensure process for an applicant who is a refugee, has been granted asylum or has a special immigrant visa.	Employment
FL	S	664	Verification Of Employment Eligibility	Enacted	This law requires every public employer, contractor and subcontractor to register with and use the E-Verify system to verify the work authorization status of all newly hired employees. Private employers (with public contracts or applicants for certain tax incentives) must, after making an offer of employment which has been accepted, verify the worker's employment eligibility.	Employment

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NC	S	361	Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact	Enacted	This law adopts the Psychology Interjurisdictional Licensure Compact to increase public access to professional psychological services. A psychologist licensed to practice in a compact state must hold a degree that is regionally accredited by the U.S. Department of Education or a foreign college or university deemed to be equivalent by a foreign credential evaluation service.	Employment
NJ	S	2455	Professional or Occupational License Qualifications	Enacted	This law states that lawful presence in the U.S. is not required to obtain a professional or occupational license, provided that the applicant meets all other requirements for licensure.	Employment
NM	S	137	Occupational Licensure	Enacted	This law confirms that a person is eligible for an occupational or professional license or certification for which that person is qualified, regardless of the person's citizenship or immigration status.	Employment

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PA	S	67	Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact	Enacted	This law adopts the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact. A psychologist licensed to practice in a compact state must hold a graduate degree in psychology from an institute of higher education that is regionally accredited by an accrediting body recognized by the U.S. Department of Education or a foreign college or university deemed to be equivalent by a foreign credential evaluation service.	Employment
VA	S	760	Psychology Licensure	Enacted	This law adopts the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact. Applicants must hold a graduate degree in psychology from an institute of higher education regionally accredited by an accrediting body recognized by the U.S. Department of Education or a foreign college or university deemed to be equivalent by a foreign credential evaluation service.	Employment
VT	S	233	Uniform Licensing	Enacted	This law requires specified professional	Employment

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			Standards		regulatory entities to create uniform standards for their licensure processes, including foreign credentials.	
WA	H	1888	Employee Information Privacy Protection	Enacted		Employment
WV	H	4749	Private Investigators	Enacted	This law amends eligibility requirements for applicants of private investigator and security guard licenses to include U.S. citizenship or lawful permanent residence.	Employment
WV	S	547	Forfeiture of Unemployment Compensation	Enacted	This law bars unemployment compensation benefits on the basis of services performed by an alien unless the alien is an individual who was lawfully admitted for permanent residence at the time the services were performed, was lawfully present for purposes of performing the services or was permanently residing in the U.S. at the time the services were performed.	Employment
WV	S	623	Teaching Certificates	Enacted	This law makes a noncitizen of the U.S.	Employment

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					eligible for a certificate to teach if he or she holds a valid Permanent Resident Card or work permit issued by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.	
CA	A	82	State Government	Enacted	This law creates the Social Entrepreneurs for Economic Development Initiative to assist economically disadvantaged groups who face significant barriers to employment, including individuals with limited English proficiency. It authorizes entrepreneurial training to individuals from the target populations and the award of microgrants to support them in launching or maintaining a small business in California. The Legislature finds that numerous studies have indicated the significant economic contributions of immigrants to this state and the nation as a whole. Businesses launched by immigrant entrepreneurs create millions of jobs, generate billions of dollars in revenue, and help revitalize	Employment



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					communities.	
WA	S	6551	Health Care Delivery System Graduates	Enacted	This law establishes the International Medical Graduates Implementation Work Group. The group will propose clinical readiness criteria for medical school graduation or residency admission, propose a grant award process to provide career guidance and clinical training, and provide policy recommendations and an annual report to the legislature.	Health
CA	A	80	Public Health Omnibus	Enacted	This human services budget gives priority to Medi-Cal for immigrants 65 and older without satisfactory immigration status, if the Department of Finance projects a positive ending balance in the Special Fund for Economic Uncertainties for four upcoming fiscal years that exceeds the cost of providing those individuals full scope Medi-Cal benefits.	Health
CA	A	2520	Access to Medical Records	Enacted	This law amends access to medical	Health

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					records for public benefit eligibility to include the cash assistance program for aged, blind and disabled legal immigrants. It requires health care providers to make medical records available at no charge for U nonimmigrant petitions for trafficking victims or for lawful permanent residency under the Violence Against Women Act.	
CO	H	1236	Health Care Coverage	Enacted	This law creates the Colorado affordable health care coverage easy enrollment program to connect uninsured Coloradans to free or subsidized health care coverage. It bars requests for citizenship, immigration or health status in the eligibility assessment.	Health
CO	S	205	Sick Leave For Employees	Enacted	This Healthy Families and Workplaces Act requires employers to provide paid sick leave to employees. It prohibits retaliating against an employee for using sick leave, including threats to report an employee's suspected citizenship or immigration status	Health

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					to a federal, state or local agency.	
CO	S	215	Health Insurance Affordability Enterprise	Enacted	This health insurance affordability law includes a provision defining qualified individuals as Colorado residents, regardless of immigration status, with a household income below 300 percent of poverty, who are not eligible for other health plans.	Health
DC	B	734	Coronavirus Response Supplemental Temporary Amendment	Enacted	This law extends temporary authority to the mayor to respond to the coronavirus emergency for DC residents and businesses. It includes a provision to support access to public benefits, including the DC Healthcare Alliance and Immigrant Children's program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, and Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program, until 60 days after the end of a public health emergency declared by the mayor.	Health
DC	B	757	Coronavirus Support	Enacted	This law provides support, on an emergency basis, for the health, safety, and	Health

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					welfare of D.C. residents and businesses during the current coronavirus public health emergency. It includes a provision related to the Immigrant Children's program.	
FL	H	713	Health Regulation	Enacted	This law allows the health department to adopt rules to implement the federal Conrad 30 Waiver Program for foreign medical graduates created under section 214(l) of the Immigration and Nationality Act. The program addresses the shortage of qualified doctors in medically underserved areas.	Health
KY	S	72	Female Genital Mutilation	Enacted	This law requires the department of public health to create and disseminate educational materials to health care providers, teachers, law enforcement personnel, and immigration and refugee resettlement agencies that may reasonably be expected to come into contact with those at	Health

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					risk of female genital mutilation.	
LA	S	27	Health Care	Enacted	This law adopts the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact and amends qualifications of applications to include those with valid and current legal authority to reside and work in the U.S. in addition to citizens.	Health
MD	H	1420	Hospital Financial Assistance Policies	Enacted	This law on hospital finance policies bars hospitals from using a patient's citizenship or immigration status as an eligibility requirement for financial assistance. It also prohibits withholding financial assistance on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry or national origin, sex, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, genetic information or disability.	Health
NC	S	681	Agency Policy Directives	Enacted	This law includes a section on eligibility categories and income thresholds for Medicaid for families, children, pregnant women, and individuals who are	Health

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					aged, blind, or disabled, who are medically needy, including refugees. Qualified aliens subject to the five year bar and undocumented aliens are eligible for emergency services.	
VA	H	1428	Health Benefit Exchange	Enacted	This law creates the Virginia Health Benefit Exchange. Qualified individuals are residents, not incarcerated at the time of enrollment, and reasonably expected to be, for the entire period for which enrollment is sought, a citizen or a national of the U.S. or an alien lawfully present in the U.S.	Health
VA	S	732	Health Benefit Exchange	Enacted	This law creates the Virginia Health Benefit Exchange. Qualified individuals are residents, not incarcerated at the time of enrollment, and reasonably expected to be, for the entire period for which enrollment is sought, a citizen or a national of the U.S. or an alien lawfully present in the U.S.	Health

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KY	H	2	Human Trafficking	Enacted	This law addressing human trafficking includes an expanded definition of force, fraud, or coercion, adding: knowingly destroying, concealing, removing, confiscating, or possessing a passport or other immigration documents or any other governmental identification documents of the person or family member.	Human Trafficking
NE	L	518	Trafficking Survivors Support	Enacted	This law, the Support for Trafficking Survivors Act, creates a statewide advisory board, a state plan and funds for trafficking survivors and for enforcement. It also requires law enforcement officers to complete forms for nonimmigrant T and U visas for victims of human trafficking who help in the investigation or prosecution of human traffickers.	Human Trafficking
UT	H	291	Human Trafficking Provisions	Enacted	This law amends human trafficking provisions and definitions. It amends the definition of kidnap offender to	Human Trafficking

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					include human trafficking for labor and human smuggling.	
WA	S	5164	Public Assistance	Enacted	This law provides for food assistance for victims of human trafficking, including noncitizens and qualifying family members who are applying for T nonimmigrant visas.	Human Trafficking
GA	H	463	Child Support Recovery Act	Enacted	This law allows the commissioner of driver services to enter into certain reciprocal agreements with foreign countries and their political subdivisions and exempts individuals from these countries from some testing requirements.	ID/Driver's License
VA	H	1211	Driver Privilege Cards and Permits	Enacted	This law creates a driving privilege card or permit for applicants who do not meet the requirements for a driver's license or permit. The applicant must have reported income and deductions from Virginia sources, or been claimed as a dependent on an individual income tax return filed in the preceding 12 months	ID/Driver's License



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					<p>and may not be in violation of the insurance requirements. Applicants may not be required to present proof of legal presence in the U.S. A driver privilege card or permit will expire on the applicant's second birthday following the date of issuance. The front of a driver privilege card or permit must be identical in appearance to a driver's license or permit that is not a REAL ID credential and the back of the card or permit must be identical in appearance to the restriction on the back of a limited-duration license, permit or special identification card.</p>	
VA	S	34	Driver Privilege Cards and Permits	Enacted	<p>This law creates a driving privilege card or permit for applicants who do not meet the requirements for a driver's license or permit. The applicant must have reported income and deductions from Virginia sources, or been claimed as a dependent on an individual income tax return filed in the</p>	ID/Driver's License

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					<p>preceding 12 months and may not be in violation of the insurance requirements. Applicants may not be required to present proof of legal presence in the U.S. A driver privilege card or permit will expire on the applicant's second birthday following the date of issuance. The front of a driver privilege card or permit must be identical in appearance to a driver's license or permit that is not a REAL ID credential and the back of the card or permit must be identical in appearance to the restriction on the back of a limited-duration license, permit, or special identification card.</p>	
VA	S	761	Drivers Licenses and Identification Cards	Enacted	<p>This law amends driver's licensing requirements to permit the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue a limited-duration driver's license and special identification card to an applicant with a valid, unexpired Employment</p>	ID/Driver's License

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					Authorization Document.	
WV	H	4955	Licenses to Carry Concealed Deadly Weapons	Enacted	This law sets licensing requirements for concealed deadly weapons including the applicant's full name, date of birth, Social Security number, a description of the applicant's physical features, the applicant's place of birth, the applicant's country of citizenship and, if the applicant is not a U.S. citizen, any alien or admission number issued by the U.S. Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement. The applicant must be a bona fide U.S. citizen or legal resident and resident of this state and of the county.	ID/Driver's License
CA	A	2542	Criminal Procedure: Discrimination	Enacted	This law prohibits the state from seeking a criminal conviction or sentence on the basis of race, ethnicity or national origin.	Law Enforcement
CA	A	3228	Private Detention Facilities	Enacted	This law requires private detention facilities to comply with the detention standards of care and confinement agreed upon in the facility's	Law Enforcement

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					contract for operations. Existing law requires the attorney general to engage in reviews of county, local and private locked detention facilities in which noncitizens are being housed or detained for purposes of civil immigration proceedings in California.	
CO	H	1409	Inspections of Penal Institutions	Enacted		Law Enforcement
DC	B	486	Sanctuary Values	Enacted	The Sanctuary Values Temporary Amendment Act limits the district's cooperation with federal immigration agencies, including by complying with detainer requests, absent a judicial warrant or order.	Law Enforcement
DC	B	594	Sanctuary Values Congressional Review	Enacted	This law, on an emergency basis due to congressional review, limits the district's cooperation with federal immigration agencies.	Law Enforcement
DC	B	823	Standby Guardians	Enacted	This law amends the standby guardianship law, on an emergency basis, to enable a parent or legal	Law Enforcement

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					guardian subject to an adverse immigration action or who has been exposed to COVID-19 to make short-term plans for a child without terminating or limiting that person's parental or custodial rights.	
DC	B	824	Standby Guardians	Enacted	This law amends standby guardianship law, on a temporary basis, to enable a parent or legal guardian subject to an adverse immigration action or who has been exposed to COVID-19 to make short-term plans for a child without terminating or limiting that person's parental or custodial rights.	Law Enforcement
DC	B	896	Sanctuary Values	Enacted	The Sanctuary Values Emergency Amendment Act of 2020 amends the standby guardianship law, on an emergency basis, to enable a parent or legal guardian subject to an adverse immigration action or who has been exposed to COVID-19 to make short-term plans for a child without terminating or limiting	Law Enforcement

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					that person's parental or custodial rights.	
DC	B	948	Standby Guardian Congressional Review Amendment	Enacted	This law amends the standby guardianship law to include adverse immigration actions or exposure to COVID-19 for the parent or guardian to make short-term plans for a child without terminating or limiting that person's parental or custodial rights.	Law Enforcement
DC	R	871	Emergency Declaration Resolution	Adopted	The Standby Guardian Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2020 states that emergency legislation is necessary to ensure that the provisions of the standby guardian temporary legislation and the COVID-19 standby guardian legislation continue, without interruption, until permanent legislation is in effect.	Law Enforcement
MO	H	1655	Secretary of State	Enacted	This law includes provisions barring a notary public from claiming the power to counsel on immigration issues.	Law Enforcement
MS	H	1156	Notarial Acts	Enacted	This law addressing notaries public includes a provision that they may not act	Law Enforcement

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					as an immigration consultant or an expert on immigration matters or represent a person in a judicial or administrative proceeding relating to immigration to the U.S., U.S. citizenship or related matters.	
UT	H	298	Victim Guidelines for Prosecutors	Enacted	This law provides guidelines for prosecutors and other entities regarding proper protocol related to immigration status forms of a crime victim when receiving the assistance of the crime victim, including certification for U nonimmigrant visas.	Law Enforcement
VA	H	262	Inquiry and Report of Immigration Status	Enacted	This law prohibits a law enforcement officer's inquiry into the immigration status of certain victims or witnesses of crime.	Law Enforcement
VA	H	1150	Immigration Status Inquiry and Report	Enacted	This law amends reporting requirements related to immigration status. A clerk of the court must report to the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement a juvenile who has been detained in a secure facility based not on an	Law Enforcement

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					allegation but only upon an adjudication of delinquency or finding of guilt for a violent juvenile felon.	
VA	S	491	Inmate Citizenship Status Inquiry Requirement	Enacted	This law amends reporting requirements related to immigration status. A clerk of the court must report to the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement a juvenile who has been detained in a secure facility based not on an allegation but only upon an adjudication of delinquency or finding of guilt for a violent juvenile felon.	Law Enforcement
VT	S	234	Judiciary Procedures	Enacted	This law finds the court has jurisdiction under Vermont law to make judicial determinations regarding the custody and care of children to enable them to petition the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Service for classification as special immigrant juveniles. Information regarding the child's immigration status that is not otherwise protected by state laws must remain confidential.	Law Enforcement



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WA	H	2567	Open Courts	Enacted	<p>This law includes a provision barring judges, court staff, court security personnel, prosecutors and personnel of the prosecutor's office from inquiring or collecting information about an individual's immigration or citizenship status, or place of birth, unless there is a connection between such information and an investigation into a violation of state or local criminal law. The court may enter orders or conditions to maintain limited disclosure of any information regarding immigration status as it deems appropriate to protect the liberty interests of victims, the accused, civil litigants, witnesses and those who have accompanied victims to a court facility. The court may not release nonpublicly available personal information about an individual, including those subject to community custody to federal immigration authorities for the purpose of civil immigration</p>	Law Enforcement

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					enforcement. It also may not notify federal immigration authorities of the presence of individuals attending proceedings or accessing court services in court facilities, unless required by federal law or court order.	
WV	H	4748	Notarial Acts Fees	Enacted	This law bars a notary public from assisting persons in drafting legal records, giving legal advice or otherwise practicing law, acting as an immigration consultant or an expert on immigration matters, or representing a person in a judicial or administrative proceeding relating to immigration to the U.S., U.S. citizenship or related matters.	Law Enforcement
CA	A	83	Housing Provisions	Enacted	This housing law includes a provision authorizing the Legal Services Trust Fund Commission of the State Bar to make grants to qualified legal services projects and support centers to provide eviction defense. It requires preference to qualified legal aid agencies that	Miscellaneous

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					serve clients regardless of immigration or citizenship status in rural or underserved communities.	
CA	A	93	Personal Income Taxes: Earned Income Tax	Enacted	This law allows the earned income tax credit for eligible individuals who have, or whose spouses have, a qualifying child younger than 6 years old if those individuals include that information on their tax returns along with their federal individual taxpayer identification numbers.	Miscellaneous
CA	A	2660	Income Tax: Administration: Nonresident Aliens	Enacted	This law prohibits the Franchise Tax Board from requiring a nonresident alien to provide a Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) when filing a state tax return if the nonresident alien is not eligible for or has not been issued a SSN or ITIN.	Miscellaneous
CA	A	2788	Public Utilities: Immigration Authorities	Enacted	This law prohibits a utility from sharing with an immigration authority a customer's electrical or gas consumption data	Miscellaneous

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					without a court ordered subpoena or judicial warrant.	
CA	A	3133	Refugees: Resettlement	Enacted	This law amends the Welfare and Institutions Code, to read: A refugee shall not be denied resettlement anywhere in California based on any criterion, method of administration, or practice that discriminates on the basis of race, religion, ethnicity or sexual orientation.	Miscellaneous
CO	H	1031	Columbus Day Replacement	Enacted	This law recognizes the contributions of Frances Xavier Cabrini by replacing Columbus day as a legal state holiday with Cabrini Day on the first Monday in October. Cabrini was a humanitarian champion of immigrants and children in the U.S. who first came to Colorado in 1902 and was naturalized as a U.S. citizen in 1909. Recognition of Cabrini's contributions creates an opportunity to promote an appreciation, tolerance, and understanding of the	Miscellaneous

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					different cultures that make up the state.	
CO	S	224	Landlord Prohibitions	Enacted	The law creates the Immigrant Tenant Protection Act, which prohibits a landlord from engaging in certain housing practices or related activities based on the immigration or citizenship status of a tenant.	Miscellaneous
DC	B	1	Comprehensive Plan Amendment Act	Enacted	This law amends the District of Columbia Comprehensive Plan Act of 1984 to reflect forces driving change and growth projections. These include a top ranking for foreign investment and a leading gateway for immigration to the U.S.	Miscellaneous
VA	H	1209	Office of New Americans	Enacted	This law creates an Office of New Americans in the Department of Social Services to assist immigrant integration on an economic, social, and cultural level. The law also creates an Office of New Americans Advisory Board in the executive branch of state government to improve state policies	Miscellaneous

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					and programs to support the economic, linguistic and civic integration of new Americans, and requires an annual report to the governor and the General Assembly.	
VA	S	991	Office of New Americans	Enacted	This law creates an Office of New Americans in the Department of Social Services to assist immigrant integration on an economic, social, and cultural level. The law also creates an Office of New Americans Advisory Board in the executive branch of state government to improve state policies and programs to support the economic, linguistic and civic integration of new Americans, and requires an annual report to the governor and the General Assembly.	Miscellaneous
WA	H	1783	Office of Equity	Enacted	This law establishes the Washington State Office of Equity and requires the office to submit an annual report to the legislature and governor. It requires state agencies to	Miscellaneous

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					designate a diversity, equity, and inclusion liaison; create diversity impact analyses and report to the Equity Office; and develop plans for diversity, equity, and inclusion and for language access. Immigration status and language access must be included in the evaluation of the equitable impacts of an agency's policy or program.	
WA	S	5165	Citizenship or Immigration Discrimination	Enacted	This legislation amends the law against discrimination to include citizenship or immigration status.	Miscellaneous
WV	S	610	Alcohol Beverage Control Administration	Enacted	This law includes a provision removing residency and U.S. citizenship requirements for the West Virginia Lottery.	Miscellaneous
CA	A	107	State Government	Enacted	This law includes a clarification that certain housing programs for migrant farmworkers are not available to employers of H-2A workers.	Public Benefits
DC	B	869	Coronavirus Support	Enacted	This coronavirus support law includes a provision allowing the mayor to extend	Public Benefits

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					eligibility for any public benefit program, including the DC Healthcare Alliance and Immigrant Children's program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families and Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program, until 60 days after the end of a public health emergency.	
HI	H	1978	Special Immigrant Juvenile Status	Enacted	This law clarifies that family court has jurisdiction over unmarried individuals younger than 21 for purposes of awarding custody or guardianship for special immigrant juvenile status.	Public Benefits
MN	H	11	Human Services	Enacted	This human services law includes child care services grants which may be used for new programs or projects that aim to create, expand, or improve programs that serve ethnic immigrant and refugee communities.	Public Benefits
MN	H	105	Human Services	Enacted	This human services law extends the expiration of certain human services program waivers during the COVID-19	Public Benefits



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					emergency, including the federally funded Refugee Cash Assistance Program and Refugee Social Services Program.	
NM	S	168	Foster Youth	Enacted	This law creates the Fostering Connections Program and includes a provision stating the citizenship or immigration status of a young adult shall not be a factor when determining the young adult's eligibility.	Public Benefits
WA	H	2556	Early Learning Providers	Enacted	This law requires the Department of Children, Youth, and Families to implement a noncredit-bearing, community-based training pathway for licensed child care providers to meet professional education requirements associated with child care licensure. The community-based training pathway must be offered as an alternative to existing credit-bearing pathways available to providers. The department must consult with a number of stakeholders, including the statewide child care resource and referral network, a	Public Benefits

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					community-based organization that provides training to licensed family day care providers, a statewide organization that represents the interests of family day care providers, a statewide organization that represents the interests of licensed child day care centers, an organization that represents the interests of refugee and immigrant communities, a bilingual child care provider whose first language is not English, an organization that advocates for early learning, an organization representing private and independent schools, and the state board for community and technical colleges.	
CA	ACR	97	Officer Phia Vang Memorial Interchange	Adopted	This resolution honors Officer Phia Vang, a former refugee from Laos, for his police service and designates an interchange in Fresno in his name.	Resolutions
CA	ACR	112	Chiura Obata Great Nature Memorial Highway	Adopted	This resolution honors Japanese American Chiura Obata by naming a portion of	Resolutions

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					Route 120 the Chiura Obata Great Nature Memorial Highway. Obata was an artist, educator and baseball player. He was interned at a relocation center from 1942-1943 and became a naturalized citizen in 1954.	
CA	ACR	128	Corporal Ronil Singh Memorial Highway	Adopted	This resolution recognizes Corporal Ronil Singh for his law enforcement service and names a portion of state highway 33 in his honor. Singh immigrated to the U.S. from the island nation of Fiji.	Resolutions
CA	ACR	142	Korean American Day	Adopted	This resolution sets aside Jan. 13, 2020, as Korean American day. Korean Americans have become one of the fastest-growing groups of Asian Americans in the U.S.	Resolutions
CA	HR	75	Human Trafficking Awareness Month	Adopted	This resolution proclaims January 2020 as Human Trafficking Awareness Month in California in order to encourage greater awareness of human trafficking. California has one of the highest incidences of human trafficking in	Resolutions

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					the nation due to its major harbors, airports, coastlines, international border, economy, and immigration population.	
CA	HR	76	Fred Korematsu Day of Civil Liberties	Adopted	<p>This resolution proclaims Jan. 30, 2020 as Fred Korematsu Day of Civil Liberties and the Constitution. Korematsu was convicted for his refusal to comply with the president's exclusion order of Japanese Americans during World War II. The overturning of his conviction influenced the passage of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988. It recognized the grave injustices that were done to Japanese Americans during World War II because of racial prejudice, wartime hysteria, and a failure of political leadership. The legislature encourages educational institutions to conduct exercises remembering his life and recognizing the importance of preserving civil liberties.</p>	Resolutions

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CA	SCR	78	Korean American Day	Adopted	This resolution sets aside Jan. 13, 2020, as Korean American day. Korean Americans have become one of the fastest-growing groups of Asian Americans in the U.S.	Resolutions
CA	SR	69	Fred Korematsu Day	Adopted	This resolution proclaims Jan. 30, 2020 as Fred Korematsu Day of Civil Liberties and the Constitution. Korematsu was convicted for his refusal to comply with the president's exclusion order of Japanese Americans during World War II. The overturning of his conviction influenced the passage of the Civil Liberties Act of 1988. It recognized the grave injustices that were done to Japanese Americans during World War II because of racial prejudice, wartime hysteria, and a failure of political leadership. The legislature encourages educational institutions to conduct exercises remembering his life and recognizing the importance of preserving civil liberties.	Resolutions

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CA	SR	70	Human Trafficking Awareness Month	Adopted	This resolution proclaims January 2020 as Human Trafficking Awareness Month in California in order to encourage greater awareness of human trafficking. California has one of the highest incidences of human trafficking in the nation due to its major harbors, airports, coastlines, international border, economy and immigration population.	Resolutions
CO	SJR	14	Latino Advocacy Day	Adopted	This resolution recognizes that engaging Latinos in political processes strengthens the state, ensures that voices and lived experiences are respected and honored, and reflects the values of fairness and equal opportunity.	Resolutions
CO	SJR	15	Recognition Of Latina And Latino Veterans	Adopted	This resolution recognizes and commends the efforts and sacrifices of the millions of Latina/o individuals who have served in the military. Latina/o individuals have fought in support of the U.S. in every American conflict since	Resolutions

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					the American Revolution.	
CO	SJR	20	Women's History Month	Adopted	This resolution declares the month of March 2020 to be Colorado Women's History Month in recognition of the struggles, accomplishments and contributions of American women throughout history. Colorado was the first state to give women the right to vote through popular vote and the first state to elect women to the state legislature. Even though the 19th Amendment had passed, not all women could vote. Native Americans gained the right to vote in 1924; federal bars on immigrants of Asian descent from becoming U.S. citizens ended in 1952; the Voting Rights Act of 1964 was enacted to help African Americans vote and was later amended to offer election material in Spanish to help Hispanic Americans vote.	Resolutions
DC	R	638	Emergency Declaration	Adopted	In order to prevent a gap in the law between	Resolutions

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			Resolution		the expiration of emergency legislation and the effective date of the temporary legislation, it is necessary to approve congressional review emergency legislation. The emergency legislation limits the district's cooperation with federal immigration agencies, including by complying with detainer requests, absent a judicial warrant or order.	
DC	R	696	Sense of the Council on Public Charge Rule	Adopted	This resolution states strong opposition to the Department of Homeland Security's public charge rule, to policies that evoke fear or discourage individuals from seeking rights and benefits to which they are entitled, and urges the U.S. Congress to promptly enact legislation accomplishing comprehensive immigration reform that treats all immigrants justly and reflects the basic principles of human dignity and human rights.	Resolutions
DC	R	941	Emergency Declaration	Adopted	This resolution declares an emergency	Resolutions



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			Resolution		to extend a temporary act limiting the district's cooperation with federal immigration agencies, including by complying with detainer requests, absent a judicial warrant or order.	
DC	R	942	Emergency Declaration Resolution	Adopted	<p>This resolution declares an emergency to prohibit housing providers from issuing notices to vacate for the duration of the public health emergency and for 60 days thereafter. Often renters who move after a notice to vacate do so because of fear, negative court experiences in the past, confusion, immigration status or language barriers. Allowing these notices to vacate to proceed furthers housing inequities for district residents. A prohibition on notices to vacate may improve equity of the eviction moratorium for immigrant renters, who are more likely to experience these informal evictions outside of the court process.</p>	Resolutions

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DC	R	973	Emergency Declaration Resolution	Adopted	The Standby Guardian Congressional Review Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2020 was set to expire on Oct. 6, 2020. This resolution extends the emergency legislation until permanent legislation, under congressional review, became law on Nov. 16, 2020.	Resolutions
DC	R	1052	Emergency Declaration Resolution	Adopted	This resolution declares an emergency to prevent a gap in the law between expiration of the emergency act and the effective date of the temporary act to limit the district's cooperation with federal immigration agencies, including by complying with detainer requests, absent a judicial warrant or order.	Resolutions
FL	HR	8003	Recognition Resolution	Adopted	This resolution recognized March 9th-13th, 2020 as Jewish Heritage Week. Jewish immigrants from around the world continue to journey to the State of Florida in search of hope, shelter and the opportunity for a new beginning. The population of	Resolutions

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					Jewish Americans in the United States has grown to more than 6.9 million.	
FL	HR	8041	Designation Resolution	Adopted	This resolution designated May 2020 as Haitian Heritage Month. The U.S. and Florida have thrived as a melding of immigrants. There is a strong connection between Haitians and Florida as 46% of Haitian Americans live in the state.	Resolutions
FL	HR	8051	Recognition Resolution	Adopted	This resolution recognizes the historical and cultural contributions of Nicaraguan Americans. Florida has the largest population of Nicaraguans in the U.S., and the migration of Nicaraguans has continued to increase in Florida contributing to the economy of the state and to an increased trade between Florida and Nicaragua.	Resolutions
FL	HR	8081	Recognition Resolution	Adopted	This resolution recognized July 2020 as Peruvian Heritage Month. Florida is home to the largest Peruvian population in the country.	Resolutions

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FL	SR	214	White Nationalism and White Supremacy	Adopted	This resolution rejects and condemns any philosophy that espouses the superiority of one group of people over another on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, or disability.	Resolutions
GA	HR	889	Commendatory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution recognized Korean American Day in Georgia and the cultural significance of the Hanbok. The Korean American community in Georgia is one of the fastest-growing and largest in the U.S. and has made significant contributions to the economic vitality and cultural diversity of Georgia.	Resolutions
GA	HR	956	Calendar Resolution	Adopted	This resolution recognized Jan. 28, 2020 as Korean American Day at the state capitol. Korean Americans have made significant political, cultural, social and economic contributions to the State fo Georgia, the U.S. and the marketplace. More than 120,000 Korean Americans call Georgia	Resolutions

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					home, and Korean is the third most spoken language in the state.	
GA	HR	980	Calendar Resolution	Adopted	This resolution established April 2020 as Celebrate Diversity Month to foster an inclusive environment for all ethnicities and cultures. It recognizes that the U.S. has a larger immigrant population than any other country, that 1 in 10 Georgians are immigrants, and foreign-born Georgians own an estimated 31 percent of Georgia's main street businesses, despite representing about 10 percent of the state's population.	Resolutions
GA	HR	1028	Calendar Resolution	Adopted	This resolution established April 2020 as Celebrate Diversity Month to foster an inclusive environment for all ethnicities and cultures. It recognizes that the U.S. has a larger immigrant population than any other country, that 1 in 10 Georgians are immigrants, and foreign-born Georgians own an estimated 31 percent of Georgia's main street businesses,	Resolutions

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					despite representing about 10 percent of the state's population.	
GA	HR	1079	Recognition Resolution	Adopted	This resolution recognizes and commends the refugee population in Georgia on their journey to becoming Georgians and their significant contributions to this state's culture and economy. Georgia has, for over 30 years, embraced refugees fleeing violence and persecution through its resettlement program and annually welcomes 2,500-3,000 refugees.	Resolutions
GA	HR	1139	Commendation Resolution	Adopted	This resolution commends Nagi Eltayeb, a refugee from Sudan and a highly accomplished individual, with the Rex Mill Middle Stem School's 2019-2020 Teacher of the Year award.	Resolutions
GA	HR	1299	Commendatory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution commends the contributions of Georgia's Asian American and Pacific Islanders (AAPIs) and recognized Feb. 24, 2020, as Asian American Lobby Day at	Resolutions

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					the state capitol. The U.S. Census Bureau in 2016 verified that AAPIs are the fastest-growing racial and ethnic population in the State of Georgia and in the nation. The AAPI community is also the most diverse population in the U.S., comprising over 50 distinct ethnic groups and hundreds of different language groups.	
GA	HR	1345	Recognition Resolution	Adopted	This resolution recognizes and commends the members of the 2020 St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee. The St. Patrick's Day Parade in Savannah was initiated in 1824 by the Hibernian Society of Savannah, which was formed to aid the early Irish immigrants to Georgia.	Resolutions
GA	HR	1402	Recognition Resolution	Adopted	This resolution commends Chama Ibrahim of Noor Family Services Corporation for providing various services and supporting victims of domestic violence in the greater Atlanta region. The Noor Family Services Corporation was	Resolutions

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					established to provide the community with culturally sensitive services and assistance to immigrant and refugee communities experiencing crises from violence.	
GA	HR	1451	Recognition Resolution	Adopted	This resolution recognizes and commends Skeeter-Jo Francois for her efficient, effective, unselfish and dedicated service in successfully representing clients in the U.S. and abroad before the Executive Office of Immigration Review, U.S. Department of Homeland Security and Immigration and Customs Enforcement.	Resolutions
GA	HR	1557	Calendar Resolution	Adopted	This resolution recognized the month of June 2020 as Immigrant Heritage Month. One in 10 Georgians are an immigrant or foreign born, which constitutes the ninth largest immigrant population in the U.S. Forty-one percent of Fortune 500 companies based in Georgia were founded by immigrants or their children, which	Resolutions



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					generate \$207.6 billion in annual revenue and employ 864,644 people globally.	
GA	HR	1642	Recognition Resolution	Adopted	This resolution encourages the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia to repeal rule 4.1.6 and allow Georgians of all backgrounds, regardless of immigration status, to enroll in any University System of Georgia institution. The resolution finds that undocumented immigrants in Georgia paid an estimated \$355.2 million in state and local taxes in 2018 and that Georgia is one of only three states in the country to ban undocumented students from attending certain public postsecondary educational institutions.	Resolutions
GA	HR	1701	Commendatory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution commends Representative Brenda Lopez for her efficient, effective, unselfish and dedicated public service. Representative Lopez serves House District 99, which includes portions of	Resolutions

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					Gwinnett County, and works as the principal attorney at The Lopez Firm LLC., where she handles removal defense, family-based immigration and naturalization matters.	
GA	SR	376	Urging Congress to Enact Certain Legislation	Adopted	This resolution urges the president of the U.S. and the U.S. Congress to enact legislation securing the citizenship of internationally adopted adult individuals.	Resolutions
GA	SR	730	Calendar Resolution	Adopted	This resolution recognized Feb. 13, 2020, as New Americans Day at the state capitol. Georgia is home to more than 1 million immigrants who comprise approximately 10 percent of the state population.	Resolutions
GA	SR	735	Commendatory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution commends the organization of Georgia Chinese American Republicans (GCAR), composed of first generation Chinese American immigrants. GCAR's mission statement represents a shared belief in conservatism	Resolutions

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					and the Republican vision for prosperity in America.	
GA	SR	1042	Calendar Resolution	Adopted	This resolution recognized June, 2020, as Immigrant Heritage Month. Immigrants continue to grow businesses, innovate, strengthen our economy, and create American jobs. Immigrants have provided the U.S. with a unique social and cultural influence, fundamentally enriching the extraordinary character of our nation. Immigrants have been tireless leaders, not only in securing their own rights and access to equal opportunity, but also in campaigning to create a fairer and more just society for all Americans.	Resolutions
IL	HR	795	Congratulatory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution congratulates the North Suburban Legal Aid Clinic on its fifth anniversary. The clinic provides accessible, high-quality pro-bono legal services in the areas of immigration, domestic violence and housing to give those in need of access to	Resolutions

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					justice the opportunity to live productive and secure lives.	
IL	HR	837	Congratulatory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution congratulates the city of Andover on the 185th anniversary of its founding. Swedish immigrants learned about Andover and sailed across the Atlantic Ocean, traveled by canal boat and covered wagon, and walked long distances to settle there.	Resolutions
IL	HR	840	Congratulatory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution honors Helen Drobnick, daughter of Polish immigrant parents on the occasion of her 100th birthday.	Resolutions
IL	HR	847	Congratulatory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution congratulates David and Anna Marie Unes on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary. Each was born to Lebanese immigrant parents.	Resolutions
IL	HR	854	Memorial Resolution	Adopted	This resolution honors the life of Emilia Pontarelli, an immigrant from Italy. In her 90s, Emilia Pontarelli challenged her son-in-law to arm wrestle to show she	Resolutions

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					still had the strength that had enabled her to climb the mountains in her hometown of Rocchetta a Volturno.	
IL	SR	1176	Memorial Resolution	Adopted	This resolution honors the life of Rosemarie Schliesske, an immigrant from Germany.	Resolutions
IL	SR	1185	Memorial Resolution	Adopted		Resolutions
IL	SR	1199	Memorial Resolution	Adopted		Resolutions
RI	S	2880	Recognition Resolution	Adopted		Resolutions
SC	H	5458	Congratulatory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution congratulates Javon Kinlaw, former defensive lineman for the South Carolina Gamecocks, for being selected by the San Francisco 49ers in the first round of the 2020 NFL Draft. He, his mother, and brother immigrated from Trinidad and Tobago to Washington, D.C. where they faced poverty, homelessness, and the lack of basic needs, often wondering from where their next meal would come.	Resolutions

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SC	H	5602	Congratulatory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution posthumously congratulates June Brunson Willson of Summerville for a lifetime of outstanding and meaningful achievements. Her beautiful ministry with the youth of the South Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church spanned four decades and touched and changed the lives of thousands of youth around the world. She and her husband, Joe, did not hesitate to help out youth and young adults when they needed a hand, even to finding these young people jobs and opening up the Willson home for years at a time to refugees from war-torn countries.	Resolutions
TN	HJR	885	Recognition Memorials	Enacted	This resolution congratulates President Donald J. Trump's acquittal on two articles of impeachment and praises President Trump for his accomplishments as our nation's forty-fifth president. Trump has improved vetting and screening for refugees and switched focus to	Resolutions

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					overseas resettlement and has begun building the wall for strong borders and less crime.	
TN	HJR	1190	Recognition Memorials	Enacted	This resolution honors the owners and staff of Charlie Vergos Rendezvous restaurant for their tireless dedication to quality, congratulate them on the restaurant's seven decades of operation, and extend to them our best wishes for every continued success. The Rendezvous, a true Memphis original that has become an American barbecue classic, was founded by Charlie Vergos, the son of Greek immigrants in 1948.	Resolutions
TN	HJR	1206	Retirement Memorials	Enacted	This resolution honors Susan Hinton, commending her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, saluting her professional expertise and personal excellence, and extending to her our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors. A veteran teacher with	Resolutions

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					five decades of experience, Hinton served with acumen and alacrity as an educator in Tennessee and in Alabama and served as director of migrant education in Morgan County, Alabama.	
TN	SJR	832	Internationally Adopted Adults	Enacted	This resolution urges the president of the U.S. and the U.S. Congress to enact legislation securing the citizenship of internationally adopted adult individuals. The Child Citizenship Act of 2000 aimed to provide equal treatment under U.S. law for adopted and biological children by granting citizenship to internationally born adoptees. However, when the act became law, it did not apply to internationally born adoptees who were already over the age of 18.	Resolutions
UT	HCR	14	Recognition Resolution	Enacted	This resolution reaffirms the friendship between the state of Utah and Taiwan and supports efforts to further strengthen the U.S.' and Taiwan's religious, trade, educational and	Resolutions



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					<p>cultural relationship. There are approximately 2,000 immigrants from Taiwan currently living and working in Utah and around 200 students from Taiwan studying at universities throughout the state. Taiwan is Utah's sixth-largest trading partner and sixth-largest export destination.</p>	
UT	SCR	8	Coronavirus Outbreak Support	Enacted	<p>This resolution expresses support for the Chinese people's efforts to contain the coronavirus. Cooperation between Utah and China includes: China is a top trading partner for Utah, many Utah companies have business operations in China, Utah leads the nation in K-12 Chinese language study, and in 2019, Utah hosted Chinese government and business leaders during the Golden Spike Anniversary, which highlighted the contributions of Chinese and other immigrants in Utah's history.</p>	Resolutions
UT	HR	1	Calendar Designation	Adopted	<p>This resolution recognizes the hundreds of Tutsi</p>	Resolutions

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					refugees who have been granted asylum by the U.S., have relocated to the state of Utah and are rebuilding their lives and families as a growing and integral part of the community. It designates April 7 as the Day of Remembrance for the Victims of the Genocide Against the Tutsi in Rwanda.	
VA	HR	506	Celebratory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution notes with great sadness the loss of Bijan C. Ghaisar. He was the youngest child of Iranian immigrants and was an advocate for peace, nonviolence, and social justice.	Resolutions
VA	HR	519	Celebratory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution notes with great sadness the loss of Frederick Antony Ravi Kumar Zacharias, a religious scholar who touched many lives in the Commonwealth and throughout the U.S. and the world. He was a native of India.	Resolutions
VA	HR	553	Celebratory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution notes with great sadness the loss of Daniel X. Sze, a respected public servant who made	Resolutions

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					many contributions to the Falls Church community. Over the course of his distinguished career, Dan Sze was responsible for major policy and regulatory initiatives under six U.S. presidents. He immigrated to the U.S. from China in 1957.	
VA	HR	561	Commendatory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution commends the Service Employees International Union Virginia 512 Home Care chapter for its work to support and advocate for home care providers. Ninety percent of home care providers are women; a majority are black, indigenous, or people of color; and nearly one-third are immigrants.	Resolutions
VA	HR	571	Commendatory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution commends Lieutenant Colonel Alexander Semyon Vindman, USA, Ret., for his honorable military service and his courageous defense of the nation's ideals. Over the course of his military career, Lieutenant Colonel Vindman earned the Ranger Tab and the	Resolutions

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					Parachutist Badge, as well as two Defense Meritorious Service Medals, four Army Commendation Medals, and two Army Achievement Medals, among many other awards and decorations. He was born in Ukraine.	
VA	HR	589	Celebratory Resolution	Adopted		Resolutions
VA	HR	592	Commendatory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution commends the Philippine Cultural Center of Virginia on the occasion of its 20th anniversary of service to the Hampton Roads community. The Philippine Cultural Center of Virginia preserves the history and heritage of the Filipino community in the U.S. and pays tribute to Filipino immigrants who have served and sacrificed as members of the U.S. Armed Forces.	Resolutions
VA	HR	632	Celebratory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution notes with great sadness the loss of Angelo Gagliano. He served the nation during the Korean War as a member of the U.S. Air Force and was born to	Resolutions

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					Italian immigrants from Castrolifippo in the region of Sicily.	
VA	SR	506	Celebratory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution note with great sadness the loss of Daniel X. Sze, a respected public servant who made many contributions to the Falls Church community. Over the course of his distinguished career, Dan Sze was responsible for major policy and regulatory initiatives under six United States presidents. He immigrated to the United States from China in 1957.	Resolutions
VA	SR	542	Commendatory Resolution	Adopted	This resolution commends Lieutenant Colonel Alexander Semyon Vindman, USA, Ret., for his honorable military service and his commitment to the preservation and defense of the Constitution and its values upon which this nation was founded. He was born in Ukraine.	Resolutions

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