

# HOW TO STOP THE BANKRUPTING OF FLORIDA

Reduce the high cost of Illegal Immigration for Florida & Federal Government

**OVERVIEW:** The annual estimated cost of illegal immigration (2009) is about \$113 billion; \$29 billion at the FEDERAL level and \$84.2 billion at the state and local level. FLORIDA's cost is about \$5.463 billion, resulting from 950,000 illegal aliens and 186,000 of their U.S.-born children. This cost is exceeded only by California, Texas, and New York. FLORIDA also ranks 4<sup>th</sup> in number of illegal aliens. An average of 10,000 illegal aliens cross the U.S. border every day – over 3 million per year. Currently there are an estimated 9 to 11 million illegals in the U.S., double the 1994 level. A quarter-million illegal aliens from the Middle-east currently live in the U.S. and a growing number are entering by crossing the Mexican border. This is a matter of **national security** as there are five known terror cells in South Florida with five terror training camps within driving distance of Northwest Florida.

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**REMITTANCES TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES:** There are additional fiscal costs not considered in most studies. Remittances sent abroad by illegal alien populations are a major drain on state and national economies. In 2003, then-President of Mexico, Vicente Fox stated that the \$12 billion in remittances from the U.S. was Mexico's largest source of income, bigger than oil, tourism, or foreign investment. Two years later, in 2005, the World Bank stated that Mexico was receiving \$18.1 billion in remittances. The Inter-American Development Bank estimated that remittances from FLORIDA to Latin American countries were \$3.1 billion in 2006. This does NOT take into account monies leaving Florida destined for European countries or Soviet-bloc countries. So the figure is much greater than \$3.1 billion annually.

An estimated \$69 billion is sent from the UNITED STATES by all aliens to their countries of origin. Of this amount, \$45 billion is sent by illegal aliens. If this money had been earned by American workers, most would have been spent locally, generating sales, production and jobs in the state and increased sales tax collection. There is no indication Florida SUTA and Workman Compensation insurance, or federal payroll taxes were paid on this money.

<http://legacy.signonsandiego.com/news/mexico/20030924-2051-us-mexico.html>  
<http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/NEWS/0,,contentMDK:20724214~pagePK:64257043~piPK:437376~theSitePK:4607,00.html>  
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(refundable to U.S. citizens, 2009) and proposed in Mississippi. Mississippi's proposal includes wire and bank transfers, and by internet companies like PayPal. (2) Require social security number or proof of legal immigration, visa, green card, passport, etc. before money can be transferred by any of the above means and for bank checking accounts. This is an excellent example of an expanded **E-VERIFY** program that will save Florida money. (3) Work with U.S. Senators and Congressmen from Florida and the other top immigration states to control this federally with the Feds obtaining a surcharge AFTER the states get theirs.

<http://wnd.com/?pageId=257501>

**EDUCATION:** Education for the children of illegal aliens constitutes the single largest cost to taxpayers at an annual price tag of nearly \$52 billion. Nearly all of these costs are absorbed by state and local governments. Approximately 8.7% of K-12 school students in Florida are children of illegal aliens. Of those age five and older, an average of 17.4% do not speak English at home. This number varies around the state. In Dade county 57.4% do not speak English in the home. These proportions and numbers will have increased since the 1990 census with the continued surge in immigration, legal and illegal. These students must be enrolled in special English instruction classes that cost the taxpayer an additional \$2,200 per student per year. This brings the cost of educating these students in FLORIDA to more than \$3.3 billion a year (\$2.78 billion for K-12 and \$559.1 million for LEP students to learn English as a Second Language, usually children of illegal aliens.

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<http://dailycaller.com/2010/04/15/illegal-immigration-is-a-tax-dollar-drain/print/>

<http://cis.org/FloridaImmigrants19702020>

[http://www.mnforsustain.org/immg\\_costs\\_of\\_educating\\_legal\\_illegals\\_fair.htm](http://www.mnforsustain.org/immg_costs_of_educating_legal_illegals_fair.htm)

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** (1) In school K-12, require all students to have a social security card and a birth certificate. Students without a social security card could not be kept out of school, at this time, but it would allow the state to keep records and track expenses created by illegal alien children. Eventually, it may be possible to be reimbursed by the Federal Government. (2) Do not allow public institutions of higher education to award financial aid or give in-state tuition to individuals who are illegally in the U.S. Oklahoma Senate passed SB683, March 3/17/11, to accomplish this. An expanded **E-VERIFY** would assist institutions in following these guidelines. (3) Require higher education institutions to annually certify to Florida Dept of Higher Education that they have not knowingly awarded financial aid to in-state tuition to any individuals who are unlawfully present in the U.S. (4) **VOTE NO ON SB318** by Senator Siplin, to provide an exemption from nonresident tuition for certain illegal aliens.

**WELFARE, HEALTH CARE, SOCIAL SERVICES:** It is difficult to determine exactly how much state and local governments spend on the above services. The children born in the U.S. of illegal aliens become U.S. citizens which allow the family access to welfare programs. Among the largest FEDERAL costs are Medicaid, \$2.5 billion, treatment for the uninsured, \$2.2 billion and food assistance programs, \$1.9 billion. The total combined value of benefits and payments received by immigrant households averaged \$2,000 in 2001, about 50% higher than natives. The

number of immigrant households grew to 18% in 2000. March 2007 the nation's immigrant population (legal and illegal) reached nearly 38 million. About one-third of immigrants are illegal aliens. Moreover, 1.5 million new immigrants (legal and illegal) continue to arrive each year. Estimates have been made of \$90 billion spent on welfare & social services for illegal aliens per year. The cost of health care for illegal aliens is staggering. The state of California alone incurs a \$10.5 billion annual cost to provide healthcare to illegals. In 2009 FLORIDA taxpayer-funded unreimbursed medical outlays for health care provided to the state's illegal alien population amounted to more than \$659.8 million (Medicaid \$530.6 million and SCHIP \$129.2 million a year). More than two-fifths of that cost came from state outlays for births to illegal aliens. Additional welfare programs include Child Care Programs (CCDF), Temporary Assistance to Needy Families and School Meal Programs and total \$317.1 million in FLORIDA. The Florida Hospital Association has reported that there are 51 hospitals in Florida that are in financial due to unreimbursed medical charges and litigation cost involved with illegal aliens. These reduced services and increased costs are passed on to the Florida legal taxpayer. Arizona's SB1405 would allow hospitals to verify immigrant status under certain conditions.

<http://azcapitoltimes.com/news/2011/02/14/aariz-may-require-hospitals-to-check-citizenship/>  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bLJxmJZXgNI&feature=related>  
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<http://statelegislatorsforlegalimmigration.com/NewsItem.aspx?NewsID=10195>  
<http://ozarkssentinel.com/missouri-ahead-of-the-game-in-dealing-with-illegal-immigrants->

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**INCARCERATION:** The cost of incarceration of illegal aliens in state prisons has increased rapidly. In 2002 the cost to states was \$2.75 billion. From 1999 to 2002, alien detention increased by 45% and that trend is continuing. If it continues at this rate through 2011, the cost to the states will be \$8.28 billion. This does not include those in federal prisons, public safety expenditures, detention pending trials, expenses of trials, interpreters, public defenders, judicial expenses, costs to states to deploy Air National Guard in support of Border Patrol operations and the monetary costs of the crimes that led to the incarceration. According to the FEDERAL Bureau of Prisons, 30% of the inmates are not U.S. citizens. At \$63/day, taxpayers spend more than \$3 million/day. That is almost \$1.1 billion dollars each year. The uncompensated cost of incarcerating illegal aliens in FLORIDA state and county prisons amounts to nearly \$579 million per year, based on FAIR's newest data (Total for Florida of \$5.463 billion, with \$3.3 billion for education, \$659.8 million for medical, \$317.1 for Welfare programs).

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**RECOMMENDATIONS:** (1) As with other immigration issues (legal and illegal), Florida must pass laws that discourage and offer NO incentive for illegal aliens to come to the state. Where no jobs, benefits, or incentives are available for illegal aliens, they will voluntarily return home or go to a state that is not addressing these issues. (2) Deport immigrants illegally in Florida. (3) Reduce incarceration costs by privatization of one or more state prisons when they can be run more economically than by the state. (GEO Group which manages 62 prisons in the U.S.) Implementing cost cutting measures as Sheriff Arpaio of Maricopa County, AZ has done. (Nations largest inmate Tent City and male, female, and juvenile chain gangs that contribute thousands of dollars of free labor to the community.) (4) Oregon is considering unique ways to deal with illegal alien inmates differently than legal residents. They are considering the affect on both cost and recidivism for illegals that are sent to do their time in a private prison in China. With contractual agreements regarding care, treatment, nourishment, basic living conditions, etc., creative thinking is necessary.

<http://blueoregon.com/2011/01/thinking-outside-box-dennis-richardson-style/>

<http://www.mcso.org/>

**PUBLIC SAFETY:** Twelve Americans are murdered every day by illegal aliens, according to statistics released by Rep. Steve King, R-Iowa. If those numbers are correct, it translates to 4,380 Americans murdered annually by illegal aliens. An average of 13 Americans are killed by drunk illegal alien drivers – for another annual death toll of 4,745. Based on a one-year in-depth study, Deborah Schurman-Kauflin of the Violent Crimes Institute of Atlanta estimates there are about 240,000 illegal immigrant sex offenders in the United States who have had an average of four victims each for a total of 960,000 victims. Of 1,500 cases reviewed, 35% were child molestations. In most instances, the offenders were familiar with their victims. In fact, 82% of the victims were known to their attackers. The other 18% were molested by strangers. In those instances, the illegal immigrants typically gained access to the victims after having worked as a day laborer at or near the victims' homes. Victims ranged in age from 1 year old to 13 years old,

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with the average age being age 6. The DHS estimates that illegal aliens molest more than 2,900 children.

<http://www.drdsk.com/articles.html#Illegals>  
<http://www.vnnforum.com/showthread.php?t=78553>

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** (1) Same as for incarceration. 2) Many of these offenders will commit other offenses before, during or after criminal acts such as traffic violations, breaking and entering, DUIs. Citizenship must be determined at this time by **E-VERIFY** and if illegal aliens, identified for deportation through ICE.

**DOCUMENT FRAUD:** Document fraud is a prevalent problem used in identity theft as well as by illegal immigrants. In fact Florida Department of Motor Vehicle employees in Del Ray Beach have recently been found to be supplying fake drivers licenses to illegal aliens. This is harmful to Florida because it allows individuals access to programs/services for which they would otherwise not be eligible. Documents possess a significant value. **Documents = Access.**

<http://www.examiner.com/crime-in-norfolk/police-say-florida-dmv-has-been-issuing-fake-drivers-licenses-to-illegal-aliens>

[http://seattletimes.nwsourc.com/html/localnews/2012151349\\_license19m.html](http://seattletimes.nwsourc.com/html/localnews/2012151349_license19m.html)

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** A lead agency should be identified to aggressively address document fraud. **E-VERIFY** use can assist with identifying the perpetrators of document fraud. It should be prosecuted when and where it's found by a designated agency such as the Florida Attorney General.

**ADDITIONAL COSTS:** The above statistics omit many additional expenses incurred: Americans pushed out of their jobs; reduced tax revenue because of lower paid workers, (who may or may not pay taxes) who have taken the place of citizens. More Floridians using the bankrupt Unemployment Compensation Fund. There are other federal government services that are provided for the public in general and are also used by illegal aliens. A study by the Heritage Foundation researcher Robert Rector ascribes costs of \$809 per illegal alien family for transportation services, \$1,195 for administrative support services and \$1,529 for miscellaneous population-based services. CIS researcher Steven Camarota calculated costs including expenditures on highway and infrastructure maintenance, and other federal services. A case can be made that a share of the national debt is attributable to federal government services and law enforcement operations resulting from the presence of the illegal alien population, past and present. Interpreters must be provided by police, public defenders, courts, and corrections operations. The same is true for medical service outlays. No cost estimate of illegal alien use of state or locally funded public housing is included because this varies so widely by state and local jurisdiction and there is no ready source of information on those practices.

<http://www.cis.org/node/54>  
<http://www.heritage.org/Research/Reports/2007/05/The-Fiscal-Cost-of-Low-Skill-immigrants-to-the-US-Taxpayer>

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** Study innovative ideas from other states and follow suit.

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<http://www.alipac.us/ftopic-103375.html>

(Nat'l Conference of State Legislatures, Immigrant Policy Project Reports 2005 to 2010)

<http://theamericanjingoist.net/index.php/2010/09/12/why-missouri-has-no-illegal-aliens/>

**JOBS:** There are nearly 16 million Americans out of work, and about 8 million jobs are held by illegal immigrants. In Florida there are 1.026 million Americans unemployed. There are 750,000 to 950,000 (depending on which source you reference) illegals in those jobs, for a 73.1% to 92% job displacement. Blacks, minorities, legal immigrants and youth unemployment numbers are almost double the current unemployment because of illegal immigration. If they weren't here, many Floridians would have jobs back. Illegal aliens will often work for less wages and may not insist the employer withhold (and pay) Medicare and Social Security taxes. They are unfair competition, contribute to double-digit unemployment rates and the need for unemployment and welfare benefits such as food stamps for our displaced American citizens in Florida. The logic that Americans don't want these jobs is inaccurate. When chicken factories were raided by ICE in South and North Carolina, legal citizens lined up for the jobs! By simply enforcing immigration laws already on the books, we could create millions of job opportunities for American and legal immigrants who played by the rules and entered the U.S. the right way. If the Federal Government does not enforce the immigration laws, the states can take certain steps to make their state less attractive to illegals. Illegal Aliens often create jobs for themselves by forming sole proprietor businesses. They do not pay into the Florida Revenue System, Workman's Compensation System or Florida Unemployment Fund. They, nor their employees, pay Social Security or Medicare taxes. They hire illegal aliens for less money, who then wire part of their wages out of Florida and thus do not help create jobs here. They give unfair competition to the citizen owned sole proprietor business.

[http://usatoday.com/money/workplace/2009-09-13-plants\\_N.htm](http://usatoday.com/money/workplace/2009-09-13-plants_N.htm)

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/01/14/AR2010011404085.html>

<http://www.numbersusa.com/content/news/april-10-2009/florida-study-reveals-high-cost-illegal-immigration-and-voter-dissatisfaction.htm>

<http://myrick.house.gov/index.cfm?sectionid=87&sectiontree=13.87>

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** (1) Require **E-VERIFY** on all new hires. Require **E-VERIFY** on all city, county and state business licenses applications for sole proprietor businesses. Insist Code Enforcement check that workers on job sites are legal. DBPR must **E-VERIFY** applicants before extending professional licenses. (2) Require State Workman Compensation Fund agents to work jointly with law enforcement to curb the hiring of illegal aliens. Employers that hire illegals are likely not paying into the Workman Compensation and Unemployment Fund.

Substantially penalize these employers who hire illegals and are not paying the appropriate taxes. (2) Encourage landlords to verify the status of prospective tenants. This can easily be done by asking for a social security number to check credit or requesting a copy of their Green Card. (3) Work with our Florida U.S. Senators and Congressmen and other top immigration states (California, Texas, Arizona and New York) to federally cap the number of aliens allowed in Florida and each state with Green Cards, plus refugees, asylees, high- and low-skill workers, EB-5 Entrepreneur Visas and the newly opened categories of: victims of human traffickers and criminal informants. (4) Encourage them to reduce the Visa/Refugee/Asylee fraud and enact a better way to keep track of those with expired Visas. (5) Contact Florida U.S. Senators and Florida Representatives to join the Reclaim American Jobs Caucus. Florida has a disproportionate share of immigrants in the above categories, and thus a disproportionate tax burden. These numbers are not counted in either the “legal” or “illegal” category. (7) Require employers, public colleges and universities, and public employees who come in contact with immigrants to check VISA Expiration Identification (work, low-high skill, agricultural, student, etc). When these people stay past the expiration date, they place undue burdens on Florida. (8) Require **E-VERIFY** be used by Employment Centers and Agencies. Document fraud uncovered through the use of **E-VERIFY** or via other means should be prosecuted when and where it’s found by a designated agency such as the Florida Attorney General.

### **IMPORTANCE OF E-VERIFY:**

E-verify is for new hires only. It is currently the best means available for employers to electronically verify the employment eligibility of their newly hired employees. E-Verify virtually eliminates Social Security mismatch letters, improves the accuracy of wage and tax reporting, protects jobs for authorized U.S. workers, and helps U.S. employers maintain a legal workforce. Public and Private-Verify is currently being used in 12 States. Today, one in four new hires in America is checked using E-Verify. Three states, AZ, MS and SC mandate all licensed businesses use E-Verify. In AZ, with the law in place since early 2008, one third of all illegal aliens self-deported by summer 2009 and crime is down in Phoenix by 25%. With similar results in Florida, we could expect 330,000 illegal aliens to self-deport in the first 18 months with a tremendous reduction in educating, medicating and incarcerating costs that now amount to over \$5.46 billion a year. E-verify is fast, easy to use and accurate. In 2007, the overall accuracy rate was 99.5%. 93% of employees queried through the system were verified within five seconds. 1.2% are verified within 24 hours, with no additional action required of either the employee or the employer. Of the 5.8% of employees who receive a tentative non-confirmation, 0.5% must contact the Social Security Administration or (for certain non-citizens) USCIS to correct mistakes on their records, an action they would have to take eventually to receive either retirement or immigration benefits. **Real ID Compliant Florida driver licenses cannot substitute for E-verify.** Real ID compliant requirement for driver licenses began in January 2010. The license holder can renew one time by mail or e-mail without supplying the information required for Real ID Compliant. A Floridian who received their license pre-Real ID compliant in 2009 could go as far as 2025 without showing new ID requirements. Real ID Compliant amendment calls for it to accept out of state licenses. Until 2008 there were seven states issuing driver licenses to illegal aliens. New Mexico and Washington still issue drivers licenses to illegal aliens. There are probably millions of legal driver licenses held by illegal aliens in the country today. Additionally, three major busts of gangs supplying fake IDs and driver licenses in Florida have taken place recently. An “expanded” **E-VERIFY** law could help the state by slowing the transfer of money out of the country by illegal aliens; by insuring that

taxpayers were not funding higher education for illegal aliens; by verifying citizenship before being given services by State Agencies.

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### **SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS**

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20. Require **E-VERIFY** on all new hires. Require **E-VERIFY** on all city, county and state applications for business licenses. This will identify and stop illegal alien sole proprietors  
Example: Navarre concrete business owner who tallied \$9 million in a decade with his business. No taxes, SUTA, or Workman Comp were paid on this money.

21. Require State Workman Compensation Fund agents to work closely with law enforcement to curb the hiring of illegal aliens. **Employers that hire illegals do not pay Workman Compensation and are not paying into the bankrupt Unemployment Fund.** Substantially penalize these employers who are not paying the appropriate taxes.

22. Encourage Sheriff's Departments to become active in following up on illegal alien reports where workers are jeopardizing American citizens/workers in Florida.

23. Encourage landlords to verify the status of prospective tenants. This can easily be done by asking for a social security number to check credit or requesting a copy of their green card.

24. Work with our Florida U.S. Senators and Congressmen and other top immigration states to federally cap the number of aliens and legal immigrants allowed into Florida and each state, with Green Cards, plus refugees, asylees, high- and low-skill workers, temporary agricultural workers, EB-5 Entrepreneur Visas (myriad other categories) and the newly opened categories of: victims of human traffickers and criminal informants. Ask them to pay particular attention to fraud in all of these categories, especially expiration of visas where illegals are lost in our country. . Contact Florida U.S. Senators and Congressmen to co-sponsor all Immigration Reduction Bills in Congress and end the Visa Lottery. Encourage ALL U.S. Florida Representatives to join the Reclaim American Jobs Caucus. Florida has a disproportionate share of immigrants in the above categories, and thus a disproportionate tax burden. These numbers are not counted in either the "legal" or "illegal" category.

25. Address Document Fraud by assigning a lead agency, preferably the Florida Attorney General's office, to aggressively work this issue. Fake documents and bribery of officials to obtain **fake documents = Value**. Value equals Access to many of Florida's non-discretionary revenue programs that those with fraudulent documents would otherwise not be eligible for. Document fraud can be identified through use of mandatory **E-VERIFY**.

25. Remember that as Florida deals with its illegal immigration problems, 125,000 legal immigrants enter America each month with legal Green Cards, equaling more than one million per year. Add all the other categories of temporary visas for workers and other special programs which allow citizenship, plus chain migration and anchor babies.

Without concerted efforts, you have a simmering stew of unemployment in Florida with 825,000 jobs illegals now hold in Florida where more than one million unemployed Floridians can't even earn an income and help pay for the \$5.463 billion-dollar burden to pay for the illegals already here.

# Cost of Illegal Aliens to Floridians

<b>Education</b>	<b>\$3.3 billion</b> K-12: \$2.78 billion LEP: \$ 559 million LEP is English as a second language and other associate programs, predominately used by children of illegal aliens.
<b>Health care</b>	<b>\$659.8 million</b> Medicaid: \$530.6 million SCHIP: \$129.2 million
<b>Incarceration/Justice</b>	<b>\$579 million</b>
<b>Welfare</b>	<b>317.1 million</b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$5.463 billion</b>
<b>Cost Per Native-headed household in Florida</b>	<b>\$1214</b>
<b>Cost Per household in 2005</b>	<b>\$575</b>

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