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Information to Know:

Protests in Los Angeles

Despite Los Angeles's status as a sanctuary city, federal immigration authorities conducted raids at three locations in the heart of the cultural downtown on Friday, June 6, 2025. The actions sparked immediate outrage from community members and local lawmakers alike, resulting in protests over the weekend.

Approximately 44 people were arrested over the weekend, including prominent union leader and President of Service Employees International Union (SEIU) California, David Huerta. An advocate for marginalized communities and fair wages, Huerta has been a vocal force for labor rights throughout his career. He sustained injuries during the altercation, received medical treatment, and was later booked on an obstruction charge.

In response, President Trump deployed the National Guard to the L.A. area, prompting California Governor Gavin Newsom to <u>file a lawsuit against the federal government.</u>

Numerous officials have claimed that the deployment of National Guard exacerbated the protests and was an unnecessary call from the President.

President Trump has since called for the <u>arrest of Governor Newsom.</u> This remains a developing story.

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Information to Know:

Separating Immigrant Families

On May 29th, 9-year-old Martir Garcia Lara accompanied his father to a routine immigration hearing, only to be detained and separated by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Lara has been sent to Texas, currently pending deportation to Honduras, despite growing up in the United States for the majority of his life. ICE and this administration have consistently claimed that they are only deporting criminals, yet we are seeing innocent Latinos deported to countries they have no familiarity with. This is not an isolated incident. Since the Trump administration, roughly 500 children have been taken into government custody. Benegas' school community California. including local parents, teachers, and officials, are outraged about the cruelty and injustice of this detainment. Congressman David Lieu said "ICE has not given a reason for their actions...We are monitoring this situation closely and will work with local and federal officials to reunite the child with his family."

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Matters of the Press:

After reports of an L.A. detention center housing more than 200 immigrants, which violate building and fire department regulations, protesters mobilized, advocating for the immigrants to be released and treated humanely. This prompted federal agents to fire pepper balls, rubber bullets, and tear gas. Video footage shows Australian reporter Lauren Tomasi and her crew covering the crowd of protestors when an "officer behind her suddenly raised their firearm and fired a nonlethal round at close range." Tomasi is seen crying out in pain and clutching her left leg in pain.



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Similarly on Saturday, a British news photographer, Nick Stern, reported that he had to undergo emergency surgery after being hit by a rubber bullet that deputies were using along with flashbang stun grenades for crowd control. **Stern stated that** "eight protesters rushed up to him to carry him away from the danger area" before being transported by medics. He further emphasizes that the difference between protesters and press coverage is glaringly obvious. These incidents demonstrate the carelessness of authorities during these protests, potentially harming everyday peaceful civilians.



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Legislation Lookout:

State Al Moratorium in One Big Beautiful Bill

The "One Big Beautiful Bill" is now in the Senate after passing the House floor vote by a one-vote margin on Thursday, May 22, 2025. A key provision within this bill is the 10-year State Artificial Intelligence (AI) Moratorium. This provision states that no state or political subdivision can enforce any law or regulation "limiting, restricting, or otherwise regulating artificial intelligence models" for 10 years. This decade-long freeze will be harmful to states and consumers alike; state and local governments will be powerless to pass significant AI regulation laws, and the public will face an unchecked wave of artificial intelligence without recourse. Al systems have developed rapidly and are deeply integrated into various aspects of our lives, making it difficult for bureaucracy to keep up. Currently, state and local governments are leading the charge in passing Al legislation with the goal of putting guardrails in place, covering specific topics like child sexual abuse material, deepfakes, cyberbullying, and more. There are currently no federal regulations for AI, which makes this freeze so alarming. Legislation successfully passed at the state or local level shows that innovation and regulation go hand-in-hand without problems.

To learn more about this bill, click here.

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State Legislation:

California Rushes to Pass Al Regulatory Legislation

California is one of the leading states in artificial intelligence (AI) legislation. impending Amidst the state-level moratorium provision in the One Big Beautiful Bill, California is determined to have more bills aiming to regulate Al reach the governor's desk before Congress votes on it in the Senate. California S.B. 420 Automated Decision Systems is a bill that seeks to create a regulatory framework for Al systems. The bill would require an Al developer or deployer to notify individuals when automated decision systems are used to make decisions. Individuals will have the option to appeal the decisions and be reviewed by a person. The bill also enforces an "impact assessment on the purpose, use of data, and potential for bias present in those automated systems." On Monday, June 2, 2025, S.B. 420 passed in the Senate with a 26-9 vote. This is one example of how not only California, but also states have historically led the charge on Al regulation and what the 10-year State Artificial Intelligence (AI) Moratorium can detrimentally block.



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Quote of the Week:

"I change myself, I change the world."

- Gloria Anzaldúa, Chicana feminist and author of Borderlands/La Frontera
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