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Legislation Update:

5-year AI Moratorium and BEAD

Following up from our last edition, the proposed AI moratorium provision in the “[One Big Beautiful Bill](#)” has been revised to include ties to the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program (BEAD). [BEAD](#) is a 2021 grant program created to expand access to broadband services for Americans across states and territories at an affordable price. If the state accepts BEAD funding, they are not allowed to regulate AI. Essentially, this provision puts states in an awkward position: expand broadband access or regulate AI.

After weeks of negotiations, the current AI provision is now a "temporary pause" on AI state legislation for five years. **The larger bill with this provision will be voted on the week of June 30th.**

To learn more, click [here](#).

Weekly Dose of Positivity:

Latinos in Higher Education

As graduation season approaches, we are reminded that learning has no set timeline, just the desire to succeed and reach your goals. For 82-year-old Rafael Aguirre, this was the truth. Now a recent graduate from Amarillo College in Texas, Aguirre became viral on [TikTok](#) and [Instagram](#) for graduating and becoming a part of the 7 percent of older Latinos in higher education. Migrating from Chihuahua, Mexico, to the U.S. in search of a better life, Aguirre is an example to the Latino community that perseverance has no age. In recent years, the number of Latinos in higher education has increased significantly. According to a [report](#) from the Pew Research Center, between 2000 and 2020, the number of Latinos enrolled at four-year institutions jumped from 620,000 to 2.4 million. From this [demographic](#), a third of Latinos who obtained their degree were immigrants, and 7% were older Latinos aged 25 and up. This is a great accomplishment for the Latino community. Congratulations to all graduates in 2025!



Photo Credit: Amarillo College

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Information to Know:

Supreme Court rules Universal Service Fund Constitutional

On June 27, 2025, the United States Supreme Court released its decision declaring the longstanding Universal Service Fund (USF) constitutional, affirming decades of progress in closing the digital divide for low income families, schools, libraries, and health care providers in rural areas. Established in 1996 within the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), the USF has provided affordable internet to individuals all over the United States, especially those from marginalized communities. This decision has been celebrated by digital equity advocates and FCC commissioners alike. Commissioner Anna Gomez said, "I look forward to continued progress from the bipartisan, bicameral working group and remain committed to ensuring that broadband affordability remains a central pillar of any proposal moving forward." To hear more from Commissioner Anna Gomez on this issue, [click here](#).

To learn more about this Supreme Court decision, [click here](#).



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Legislation Lookout: Federal

H.R. 2056 - District of Columbia Federal Immigration Compliance Act of 2025

On Monday, June 9, 2025, the House Rules Committee met to discuss four bills for floor action. One of those bills, **H.R. 2056 District of Columbia Federal Immigration Compliance Act of 2025**, would require D.C. agencies to share information on non-citizens to federal immigration authorities. The proposed bill would "prohibit D.C. from restricting officials from sharing information about a person's immigration status" with the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), except in the cases of crime victims and or of individuals reporting a crime. However, this exception was removed from the bill's text, leaving immigrants at risk even when local police are involved. Democratic lawmakers **contend** this will do more harm than good because immigrants will feel unsafe with the police when reporting a crime or being a victim of a crime. On Thursday, June 12, 2025, the House passed the bill on a 224-194 vote. It has been received in the Senate and referred to the committee.

To learn more about this bill, click [here](#).

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Legislation Lookout: State

California Assembly Bill 1064 Leading Ethical AI Development(LEAD) for Kids Act

As of June 11, 2025, the California Senate's Committee on Judiciary is reviewing the CA Assembly Bill 1064, the **Leading Ethical AI Development (LEAD) for Kids Act**. The bill aims to protect minors from artificial intelligence systems that can utilize their child's information for training purposes. Another provision in the bill covers the issue of companion chatbots, a generative AI chatbot that can mimic human interaction to the degree that it can develop a harmful relationship with the person. Safeguards against the use and training of chatbots will be established such as, prohibiting developers from changing the design of a product intended to be used by a child in California, deleting images of a child's face from the internet taken by AI, and prohibiting the collection of a child's biometric information without parental consent. This bill is important because it pushes for safe regulation of AI at a time when it is greatly needed. The federal government is pushing to pass a bill to stop any laws or regulations regarding AI at the state and local levels for approximately 10 years. States, like California, are historically the ones that lead the charge on AI regulation, and this bill is yet another example of that.

To learn more, click [here](#).

Matters of the Press:

ICE Calls for the Deportation of Journalist at No Kings Protest



(AP/Mike Stewart)

On Wednesday, June 18, 2025, U.S. immigration authorities stated they detained a Latino journalist during a “No Kings” protest on Saturday. Mario Guevara was arrested by local police on charges of “obstructing unlawful assembly and improperly entering a roadway.” During his livestream of Saturday’s protest, [footage](#) shows Guevara telling the officers he is part of the press. Under a protective vest, Guevara wears a red t-shirt with “PRESS” written in big letters. Additionally, Guevara’s footage shows him standing on a sidewalk with other press journalists away from any crowds just before his arrest. Police turned him over 3 days later after being in a county jail. As a national of El Salvador, ICE calls for immediate deportation proceedings. Guevara’s lawyer states he was just doing his job as a journalist and the crimes charged are erroneous. His lawyer affirms Guevara has legal authorization to live and work in the U.S., and has a pending application for permanent residency. Members of the Committee to Protect Journalists condemned Guevara’s arrest and detention by ICE, calling the act an alarming “erosion of press freedom in the U.S.”

To learn more, click [here](#).

Quote of the Week:

“Darkness cannot drive out darkness: only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can do that.”

- Martin Luther King Jr.

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Useful Tips and Tools:

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LGBTQ+ Know
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