

Immigration Updates from July 2025

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<p>Completed: 07/01: L1189; Immigration Relief Webinar 07/14: Region 6: Education Conference; Altoona, IA 07/12: L3000; UCAN/Consultation Workshop; Mt. Vernon, WA 07/19: L3000; UCAN/Consultation Workshop; Yakima, WA 07/20: L3000; UCAN Workshop; Richland, WA 07/26: L770; Consultation Workshop; Huntington Park, CA</p> <p>Upcoming: 08/06: L1189; Asylum Workshop; Long Prairie, MN 08/08-09: United Latinos Education Conference; San Diego, CA 08/20: L1776; Immigration Relief Webinar 09/10-11: L1846; Remote UCAN Workshop 09/28: L227; UCAN Workshop; Louisville, KY 10/04: L1546; UCAN Workshop; Chicago, IL</p>			

IMMIGRATION CHANGES & UPDATES FROM MARCH

The month of July continued the onslaught of immigration changes by the Department of Homeland Security, thanks in large part to the passage of the so-called “Big, Beautiful Bill” which put billions toward new spending on immigration enforcement. Here is a summary of some of the biggest changes from the month and what it means to you:

Updates regarding Temporary Protected Status (TPS)

- **TPS for Haiti is, for now, remaining in effect thanks to District Court Lawsuit**
 - On July 1, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) terminated the designation of Haiti for TPS, saying that all benefits for the country would end by September 2, 2025. Nonetheless, on July 15, 2025, a lawsuit filed in the Eastern District of New York garnered a ruling that now means that TPS for Haiti will remain in effect until February 3, 2026. USCIS has updated its guidance to employers to reflect this. It should be noted, however, that the effect of this ruling is subject to change on appeal and remains precarious.
- **TPS Holders from Venezuela with Documentation from *before* February 5, 2025 will retain their TPS protection and work authorization**
 - On July 14, 2025, USCIS updated its E-Verify instructions online for employers indicating that TPS beneficiaries who received certain TPS-related documentation on or before February 5, 2025, will maintain TPS and their documentation will remain valid.
 - TPS Venezuela beneficiaries who received TPS-related EADs that show a “Valid From” date that is on or before February 5, 2025, and a “Card Expires” date of October 2, 2026, will maintain that status and their documentation will remain valid, pending resolution of the litigation.
 - TPS Venezuela beneficiaries who received TPS-related EADs with a “Card Expires” date of April 2, 2025, *and* who received Forms I-797, Notices of

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Action, indicating receipt of a timely filed Form I-765 renewal application that were issued on or before February 5, 2025, automatically extending their employment authorization for up to 540-days, will maintain TPS and employment authorization and their EADs will remain valid for up to 540 days, (i.e., September 24, 2026), pending resolution of the litigation.

- **TPS for Honduras and Nicaragua Ended – and then Blocked**

- On July 7, 2025, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announced the termination of Temporary Protected Status (TPS) for Honduras and Nicaragua, effective September 8, 2025. The decisions were formally published in the July 8, 2025 edition of the Federal Register. While the notice stipulates that the termination will take effect 60 days from the date of publication, the effective date will be September 8, 2025, which falls on the first business day following day 60.
- On July 31, however, a lawsuit in California received a temporary ruling from a federal judge which postponed the termination. For now, TPS for Nicaragua, Honduras, **and Nepal** will remain in place and be extended to Nov. 18th. While it is possible that the November 18th deadline will be extended further still, that will not be decided until that time.

Legislation Going into Effect

- **The “One Big Beautiful Bill” is Signed into Law – Immigration is a Key Focus**

- The One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA) (H.R. 1) is the budget reconciliation bill signed into law by President Trump on July 4 after it passed the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate by a single vote in each chamber. This bill significantly increased funding for both border security and interior immigration enforcement, including dramatically expanded detention and deportation operations. Moreover, the legislation introduces fees for immigrants seeking humanitarian protection, imposes a tax on remittances, and restricts federal benefit access for mixed-status families and unauthorized individuals.
- Interior enforcement operations from ICE will receive \$75 billion in new funding, including \$45 billion toward new detention efforts, \$29.9 billion toward hiring new ICE officers and deputizing local law enforcement, and other money put toward other state partnership efforts.
- The \$70 billion put toward border security will largely go to construction costs for new border wall construction, with the remainder being put toward the budget of Customs and Border protection (CBP) to hire new staff and upgrade their facilities.
- The bill also adds fees to humanitarian forms of benefits requests which had previously not existed, including:

Asylum	\$100 application fee, and a \$550 fee to apply for initial work authorization and a \$275 fee for renewals.
TPS	A \$500 registration fee for TPS, a \$550 initial work authorization fee, and a \$275 renewal or extension fee.
SIJS	\$250 application fee
(Certain) Parole	\$1,000 for the application fee, and \$550 for the initial work permit.
Unlawful Entry	\$5,000 Penalty
Appeals	Appeal decision of an Immigration Judge: \$900
<i>In Absentia</i> MTR	Reopening a removal order issued <i>in absentia</i> \$5,000 penalty fee

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Helpful Resources and Links You Should Know About:

Resource Name	Description	Link
EOIR Automated Case Portal	If you have an A-Number (a unique number given to non-citizens during encounters with immigration officials), you can use that number to check on the status of your immigration court case on this website and see your upcoming court dates.	English https://acis.eoir.justice.gov/en/ Spanish https://acis.eoir.justice.gov/es/
ICE Detainee Locator	If someone you know has been detained by ICE for at least 48 hours, you will be able to find out where they are detained using this link.	https://locator.ice.gov/odls/#/search
USCIS Case Status Online	If you have a receipt number from USCIS, use this link to see what the latest status of that receipted item is with the agency.	https://egov.uscis.gov/
USCIS Case Inquiry	If you are missing a receipt, if your case is outside of normal processing times, if your document has errors on it due to government mistakes, or if you need to request accommodations for an upcoming appointment, use this link.	https://egov.uscis.gov/e-request/Intro.do
Check Case Processing Times	If you have submitted a case with USCIS, you can see the expected processing times by case type using this website.	https://egov.uscis.gov/processing-times/
Automatic Employment Authorization Document Extension	If you have a work permit (EAD) that is expiring soon, it is possible that it has been automatically extended. Only some types of work permits are extended automatically. Use this website to see if yours has been.	https://www.uscis.gov/eadautoextend
Special Immigrant Juveniles	If you (or one of your members) are under the age of 21 and unmarried, please check your eligibility for Special Immigrant Juvenile status using the criteria listed on this website.	https://www.uscis.gov/working-in-US/eb4/SIJ