

PRESIDENT TRUMP'S EXECUTIVE ORDERS

1. **“Minimizing the Economic Burden of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act Pending Repeal”**

(Read full text [here](#))

- This appears to gut many of the aspects that keep the law functioning, including the “individual mandate” of everyone having to participate. It also will allow any individual, state, organization, etc. to abstain from having to participate, if participating would have a monetary impact to them.
- Reports about the repeal of the ACA include the fact that billions of dollars a year that are coming in from the top 400 families for the ACA in this country will no longer happen (read about the effect on the rich [here](#)). (Read more about Trump's Executive Order [here](#) and on [Huffington Post](#) and what the [Washington Post](#) describes as a “bomb” into the fragile health insurance markets) **Update 1/26/17:** Please take a look at this amazing analysis of the repeal effort and how the [repeal without an immediate replacement will impact nearly everyone in our country](#). (Written by a healthcare attorney with a lot of experience with the ACA.)

2. **Freeze on all Regulations**

(Read full text [here](#))

- This is common, but it specifically [stalls several regulations geared towards better energy efficiency](#) on an array of products.

3. **“Regarding the Mexico City Rule”**

(Read full text [here](#))

- Trump is determined to reinstate the “Mexico City policy”, also know as the “Global Gag Rule” against federal funding for abortion, family planning and possibly clean out programs for women worldwide. (Read more at [Lawyer Herald](#)) This has now been confirmed by [Politico](#) as

an Executive Order this morning. This will bar U.S. aid to groups that provide or promote the procedure overseas.

- From [The Atlantic](#): “Now, the signing of the order is filled with symbolism. Always falling on or within days of the January 22nd anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*, it’s become a way for the incoming president to signal to his party and supporters an initial commitment for or against abortion rights.”
- According to The Guttmacher Institute, foreign health providers are often overly cautious of this bill, which leads to self-censoring of permitted activities, firing of staff, and closing of clinics. (see Atlantic article above for source)

4. “Withdrawal of the United States from the Trans-Pacific Partnership Negotiations and Agreement”

(Read full text [here](#))

- Trump signs an Executive Order that officially pulls the US out of the Trans Pacific Partnership. This is seen more as a symbolic move, as the trade agreement had all but been defeated already. (Read more at [The Hill](#) and [BCC News](#))

5. Freeze put on hiring of Federal Workers

(Read full text [here](#))

- Trump puts a freeze on hiring Federal workers and a freeze on pay increases for federal workers.
- Apparently this will exclude the Military, but this is still a developing story. (see [Politico](#) and [Washington Post](#)) Update: the Executive Order states “no vacant positions existing at noon on Jan. 22, 2017, may be filled and no new positions may be created, except in limited circumstances” (see updated [Washington Post](#) article). Also see discussion on how a Freeze on federal employees hasn’t been proven not to save money, due to the need to hire contract workers, who are less experienced and not held accountable, and an increase in overtime for current workers. (Read more at [ABCNews](#))

6. Construction of Keystone XL Pipeline

(Read full text [here](#))

- This Order re-authorizes the construction of the Keystone XL Pipeline.

- Trump claimed that this would create 28,000 new jobs. Read how this is an inflated number on [Washington Post](#) and [NRDF](#). (Read initial report on [Politico](#) and [NPR](#)).
- Trump has backed this pipeline since 2011 and held up to \$250,000 in stock in TransCanada, the company behind Keystone XL, [until 2015](#).

7. Dakota Access Pipeline

(Read full text [here](#). More at [Washington Post](#))

- This Executive Order authorizes the continuance of the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline in North Dakota that was rerouted through Native American land. Read the statement from the Standing Rock Sioux tribe response to the Executive Order [here](#).
- Concerns have been raised regarding the potential stock ownership of the President in the Dakota Access Pipeline. (Read more at [LA Times](#)) Additionally, Trump's nominee for Energy Secretary is a sitting board member ([CNBC](#)) **Update 1/26/17**: Oil pipeline in Iowa leaks over 138,000 gallons of diesel just days after the President signed these two Executive Orders. (Read more at the [Des Moines Register](#), [NPR](#), and [ABC News](#))

8. Expediting Environmental Reviews and Approvals For High Priority Infrastructure Projects

(Read full text [here](#))

- This Order claims that environmental reviews have unnecessarily delayed or prevented infrastructure projects. “These delays have increased project costs and blocked the American people from the full benefits of increased infrastructure investments, which are important to allowing Americans to compete and win on the world economic stage.”
- It looks to identify high-priority infrastructure projects
- Establishes new deadlines in which applications have to be done as “expeditiously as possible.”

9. Construction of American Pipelines

(Read full text [here](#))

- This Executive Order promotes the use of U.S.-made materials in the construction of pipelines within the U.S.

10. Presidential Memorandum Streamlining Permitting and Reducing Regulatory Burdens for Domestic Manufacturing

(Read full text [here](#))

- This Executive Order will “support the expansion of manufacturing in the United States through expedited reviews of and approvals for proposals to construct or expand manufacturing facilities and through reductions in regulatory burdens affecting domestic manufacturing.”

11. “Border Security and Immigration Enforcement Improvements”

(Read the full text [here](#))

- Trump [announced](#) and signed an Executive Order today that was a comprehensive list of immigration reform, including a border wall, increased immigration enforcement, and a cut of funding to all Sanctuary Cities. While this is just an Executive Order, it is reported that Trump will send this to Congress to be voted into law. (Read more on [NBC News](#)) These changes would likely cost [tens of millions of dollars](#). Also includes wide reaching immigration changes, including adding to the Border Patrol, creating more detention facilities, and the creation of the “Office for Victims of Crimes Committed by Removable Aliens.”
 - This law will contain the following (directly quoted from text):
 - “(a) secure the southern border of the United States through the immediate construction of a physical wall on the southern border, monitored and supported by adequate personnel so as to prevent illegal immigration, drug and human trafficking, and acts of terrorism;
 - (b) detain individuals apprehended on suspicion of violating Federal or State law, including Federal immigration law, pending further proceedings regarding those violations.
 - (c) expedite determinations of apprehended individuals' claims of eligibility to remain in the United States;
 - (d) remove promptly those individuals whose legal claims to remain in the United States have been lawfully rejected, after any appropriate civil or criminal sanctions have been imposed; and
 - (e) cooperate fully with States and local law enforcement in enacting Federal-State partnerships to enforce Federal immigration priorities, as

well as State monitoring and detention programs that are consistent with Federal law and do not undermine Federal immigration priorities.”

12. “Enhancing Public Safety in the Interior of the United States”

(Read full text [here](#))

- Ending of Federal assistance to Sanctuary Cities and Counties - This Executive Order will end Federal funds that go to Sanctuary Cities that “harbor” illegal immigrants, except when funds are being used for law enforcement.
- Claims “Sanctuary jurisdictions across the United States willfully violate Federal law in an attempt to shield aliens from removal from the United States. These jurisdictions have caused immeasurable harm to the American people and to the very fabric of our Republic.”
- The Trump administration will also regularly publish a list of jurisdictions that “catch and release” undocumented immigrants who have committed crimes and establish an office for the victims of those crimes (from [NBC News](#)). (Read more at [The Hill](#)) Mayors of Sanctuary cities responded throughout the day in support of their constituents. (Read more at [NY Times](#))
- Also empowers local law enforcement agents to enforce immigration laws. This has led to worry among many civil rights groups. (Read more at [Washington Post](#))

13. Banning entry to the US from certain Muslim-majority countries and ending the Refugee program

- Trump signed Executive Order restricting entry of individuals from certain Muslim-majority countries (See video [here](#), Read more on [The Washington Post](#)) (Read more at [Huffington Post](#))
- **Update 1/28/17:** [Full text has now been released](#).
- A draft text of the Executive Order (which was originally believed to be signed Thursday) was obtained by several news outlets. (Read more on [Huffington Post](#) and [The Hill](#))
 - This Order would “suspend entry into the U.S. from select countries starting 30 days after the order is issued. The countries in question include Iraq, Syria, Iran, Sudan, Libya, Somalia and Yemen.”
 - Also would also suspend all refugee admissions into the U.S. for 120 days, and all refugees from Syria “indefinitely”. “During that time, the Secretary of State is instructed to review refugee application procedures. Those who have already

applied for admission would have their applications placed on hold and resumed once the review is complete.”

- It is now being reported that the countries that are associated with this ban will exclude all countries in that region that Trump and his businesses have financial ties to, including Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, the U.A.E. and Azerbaijan. (More on [Bloomberg](#)).
- Another country that is not on the “banned” list, or on Bloomberg’s list of Trump Organization-connected countries, is Lebanon. The [NY Times noted today](#) that four of these non-banned countries (Egypt, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia and the U.A.E.) were the countries of origin of all 19 of the hijackers from the September 11, 2001 attacks.
- Trump reportedly will prioritize Christian refugees. Trump claimed on Twitter that Christian refugees are killed by ISIS at a higher number than Muslims. Also claimed that more Muslim than Christians refugees are let into this country. (Fact Check on [Pew Research](#), [Politifact](#)) (Read more on [CNN](#) and [The Hill](#))
- Response to Muslim Ban
- See the Southern Poverty Law Center’s response, calling it an “assault on Muslims.” ([SPLC](#))
- Iraqi citizens are feeling stunned by the news. Due to the order, Passport-holders from those countries listed on the ban, who have American visas but are outside the United States, will not be permitted to return. (Read more on [NY Times](#))

14. “Presidential Memorandum on Rebuilding the U.S. Armed Forces”

(Read full text [here](#))

- Trump signed it live on TV but did not read the language. He claimed it would include more troops, warships and a modernized nuclear arsenal. (Read more at [Politico](#) and [CNBC](#)) This is also seen as largely symbolic, as Congress has to authorize any increase in funding.

15. Ban on Lobbying by Former Administration Officials

(Read full text [here](#))

- This would ban Lobbying for any former Trump Administration personnel for 5 years after leaving their role, and permanent ban on Lobbying the U.S. government on behalf of foreign governments. More to follow. (Read more at [The Hill](#))

16. Reorganization of the National Security Council

(Read full text [here](#))

- President Trump has reorganized the National Security Council by elevating his chief strategist Steve Bannon and demoting the Director of National Intelligence and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff ([NPR](#)) (Read more on [BBC News](#) and [USAToday](#))

17. Request to Joint Chiefs of Staff for plan to defeat ISIS

(Read full text [here](#))

- Immediate review of how to defeat ISIS from the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Trump wants the results within 30 days. More to follow.

18. For every new government regulation, two must be eliminated

(Read full text [here](#). Read more at [Politico](#) and [The Hill](#))

“Regulatory Cap for Fiscal Year 2017.

- Unless prohibited by law, whenever an executive department or agency (agency) publicly proposes for notice and comment or otherwise promulgates a new regulation, it shall identify at least two existing regulations to be repealed.
- For fiscal year 2017, which is in progress, the heads of all agencies are directed that the total incremental cost of all new regulations, including repealed regulations, to be finalized this year shall be no greater than zero, unless otherwise required by law or consistent with advice provided in writing by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (Director).
- In furtherance of the requirement of subsection (a) of this section, any new incremental costs associated with new regulations shall, to the extent permitted by law, be offset by the elimination of existing costs associated with at least two prior regulations. Any agency eliminating existing costs associated with prior regulations under this subsection shall do so in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable law.”