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Strong opinions were generated by House Bill 87, which will give law enforcement the power to investigate the immigration status of certain suspects and requires many Georgia businesses to ensure their employees are eligible to work in the United States.

Gov. Nathan Deal has said he will sign it into law.

Pro

"[Illegal immigrants] are using all of these services and not giving back into the system. It's ethically wrong, and it's morally wrong. This will stop unscrupulous behavior."

--- Catherine Davis of Stone Mountain, legislative director for the Network of Politically Active Christians

<u>Con</u>

"It will cost our local small businesses thousands of dollars to comply, not to mention the risk of boycotts and lost tourism and convention business. Why would we elect to put Georgia at an economic disadvantage and jeopardize our fragile recovery?"

--- Karen Bremer, executive director of the Georgia Restaurant Association

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