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Disneyland has been ordered to pay nearly \$395,000 by the Immigration and Naturalization Service -- the largest fine ever by the agency -- for paperwork violations. Robert Reed, a special agent for the Immigration Service, said Wednesday that investigators discovered 1,156 paperwork violations during a review of Disneyland employee records. The review found about 150 employees with questionable work papers. Of those, 55 were found to be using counterfeit documents and were dismissed. Disneyland said it would contest the fine; it has until May 22 to demand a hearing before an administrative law judge. A spokesman for the Walt Disney Company, John McClintock, called the violations technical and added: "We're proud of our hiring record. There is no evidence of the intentional hiring of any illegal aliens."

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