

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2025-2026 SIMULATION SESSION

SENATE BILL
NO. 71

Introduced by Senator Monique Limon

Sep 28, 2025

To prohibit Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) activities in locations such as, but not limited to, schools, churches, hospitals, workplaces, and private residences without judicial warrant.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

SB 71, as introduced, Limon. Protecting community spaces from immigration enforcement.

Under current law, federal immigration authorities may conduct operations within California without specific limitations on where such actions take place. This has raised concerns regarding the safety of communities, equitable access to education, and the ability of residents to seek essential services without fear.

This bill would establish protections by prohibiting immigration enforcement at schools, houses of worship, hospitals, workplaces, and private residences, unless supported by a valid judicial warrant. Oversight and coordination with local law enforcement would be carried out by the California Attorney General’s Office.

The intent of this measure is to safeguard the well-being of immigrant communities, ensure confidence in vital public institutions, and preserve the integrity of California’s most essential community spaces.

Vote: majority Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: yes Local Program: yes

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.

(a) For purposes of this section, “sensitive location” includes, but is not limited to:

- (1) Any public or private school or educational institution.
- (2) Any church, synagogue, mosque, temple, or other recognized place of worship.
- (3) Any licensed hospital, clinic, or medical facility.

(4) Any workplace, including offices, factories, and farms.

(5) Any private residence.

(b) Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) shall not conduct enforcement activities at a sensitive location without presenting a valid judicial warrant.

(c) State and local law enforcement agencies shall not participate in, provide information to, or otherwise assist immigration enforcement actions that contravene this section.

(d) It is the intent of the Legislature that all California residents, regardless of immigration status, may safely access educational, medical, spiritual, and employment opportunities without intimidation or fear.

Section 2. Oversight and Enforcement

(a) The Office of the Attorney General shall:

- (1) Establish guidelines and procedures for monitoring compliance with this section.

- (2) Create a standardized reporting system for alleged violations by federal immigration authorities.
- (3) Provide annual reports to the Legislature regarding compliance and enforcement outcomes.
- (b) Any violation of this section shall be referred to the Attorney General for civil enforcement.

Section 3. Effective Date

This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2026.