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Trump's New Restrictions for Asylum Seekers Draw Criticism from Experts on Immigration Laws

President Trump recently announced a new series of restrictions for individuals looking to seek [asylum in the United States](#). According to the new rules, migrants seeking asylum in the United States must have made an asylum claim in another country while on their way to the United States. If they haven't filed for asylum elsewhere, then they will not be allowed to enter the USA.



As per experts, this new rule violates other local immigration laws. It is also in direct conflict [within](#) international laws for asylum seekers. Additionally, it has been pointed out that the White House does not have the power to change laws without following due procedure and getting the law approved by Congress. Congress has already laid out an [infrastructure for asylum seekers](#) looking for refuge in the United States. This new law creates a fresh series of obstacles for these people and may force them to return to their country of origin, which could further endanger their lives.

Protestors Gather in Phoenix Ahead of Planned ICE Raids in 10 US Cities

The US Immigration and Customs Enforcement have been planning raids for arresting undocumented migrants in 10 US cities. In response to the raids, more than one [hundred protesters gathered on the streets in Phoenix](#) to show solidarity with the immigrant community of the United States.



Many of the protestors were arrested after they refused to disperse as instructed by the local law enforcement authorities. In spite of the arrests, a vast majority of the demonstrators continued with their protests against Trump and the ICE's planned crackdown against immigrants. Chants of "Free those kids," and "Shut down ICE." rang through the streets of central Phoenix. In light of [the current political landscape of the country, Trump's anti-immigrant policies](#), this show of support for immigrants by US citizens is a heartening sight. Whether the ICE will proceed with their roundups as planned remains to be seen.

White House Drafts New Immigration Bill with the Help of Republican Senators



The White House has prepared a [new immigration bill](#) [that is](#) meant to promote safe and legal immigration in the USA. The bill has been prepared with the support of 10 republican senators, thus ensuring it is passed when presented to the Congress.

The contents of the bill remain unknown. ~~However, looking at Trump's stance against immigrants in the past, one cannot assume that the new legislation will hold good news for immigrants in the United States.—~~

[Sources](#) state that the bill may focus on improving border security, limiting the number of visas previously provided to family members of US citizens, and establishing a more stringent immigration process.