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A report issued in March of 2014, *The Fiscal Burden of Illegal Immigration on North Carolinians*, estimates that about **410,000 illegal aliens resided in the state as of 2013**. In addition, there were about **120,000 anchor babies** (U.S. born children of illegal aliens) living in North Carolina who, like other U.S.-born children, may participate in means-tested programs and benefits. These two groups cost NC citizens **\$2.4 billion dollars per year** in extra tax dollars.

Among the reports key findings:

- Education for an estimated **32,400 illegal alien students** and **80,000 U.S.-born children of illegal aliens**, many of whom also required special English-language instruction, costs North Carolina taxpayers nearly **\$1.3 billion annually**.
- Medicaid and uncompensated health care for illegal aliens and their U.S.-born children costs North Carolinians **\$323 million a year**.
- Law enforcement and criminal justice costs associated with illegal immigration add **about \$216 million a year** to the state's tab.
- Means-tested social welfare services used by U.S.-born children of illegal aliens add **\$79 million in costs each year**.
- Providing basic government services to illegal aliens costs North Carolina taxpayers about **\$212 million annually**.

Illegal aliens pay about **\$293 million per year** in taxes collected by state and local jurisdictions however, that does not offset the outlay resulting in a **net annual loss to NC taxpayers of \$1.73 billion dollars**.

Our own research indicates:

- **69%** of the illegal aliens in NC have no health insurance. (2010 American Community Survey www.census.gov).
- Less than **2 percent** of the illegal aliens here are picking crops but, **40 percent** are on welfare. They receive SSI (Supplemental Security Income for low income elderly and disabled), TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families), WIC (Women, Infants, and Children food program), free/reduced school lunch, food stamps (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), Medicaid (health insurance for those with low incomes), public housing, and rent subsidies. (Center for Immigration Studies)

- There are approximately **1,668** illegal aliens currently in our NC prison system from **90** different countries. ([N.C.D.O.C. website query](#)) They are incarcerated for everything from child rape, to drug dealing, to murder. This does not take into account the number of illegal aliens currently in our city and county jails in the 100 counties all across NC.
- There is no way to effectively calculate the costs of illegal alien crime to NC citizens. How do you put a dollar figure on someone who is killed by an illegal alien drunk driver? The DWI court cases, of suspected illegal aliens in NC, for 1 month (August 2013), equaled **5,195**. In June of 2012 the numbers were **4,583**. That is **thousands of chances per month** for you or a loved one, to be killed by a suspected illegal alien drunk driver ever time you leave your house. (www.ncfire.info)
- Child rape in NC has become **epidemic**. Since November 2013, **NCFIRE** has been documenting (monthly) confirmed illegal aliens, who were charged with child rape, child molestations, sexual assaults and/or indecent liberties w/ a child. The numbers are staggering.
- Over a period of **11 months, 187 illegal aliens** accounted for with **665 separate charges of child rape/child sexual assault**. We were not able to check every court calendar, of every county in NC, every day, so the numbers are likely much higher. Sadly, **NONE OF THESE HAD TO OCCUR**. These monthly reports can be found at www.ncfire.info under "**Monthly Child Rapes by Illegal Aliens**"
- Child rape cases in Durham (a self-proclaimed sanctuary city) were **up 40%** in 2013

In 2013, the NC Legislature passed a revised and condensed version of **H786- the Reclaim NC Act**. In its' original form, H786 had many good enforcement measures in it but, the enforcement measures were taken out and sent for "*a study of the potential impact on public safety, the State economy, and illegal immigration to this State of adopting any or all of the measures*". The only thing that was passed in the revised edition of H786 was a change in the definition of an employee who was subject to e-verify. That definition change effectively gutted our current e-verify law. Previously, the law read: **"anyone who is employed 90 days or less would be exempt from having their names checked through the national e-verify system"**. Supposedly his was for the ag-industry and their temporary seasonal labor requirements (although they should have not had this exemption because of the numerous programs that already exist for them to acquire temporary seasonal labor legally. The revised version of H786 which was passed reads: **"anyone who is employed 9 months or less will be exempt from being checked through e-verify"**. That dramatically increases the number of people who will be exempt from our e-verify laws. The large corporations (fast food industry, hotel/motel industry, restaurant industry, homebuilders association etc...) can now participate simply by reclassifying many of their employees as temporary.

All of this has had the effect of making NC a more inviting place for illegal aliens to come to NC, get a job and remain here. It has also lead to an increased tax burden, higher crime and fewer jobs available for the already unemployed NC workers.

While the federal government is primarily responsible for enforcing laws against illegal immigration, North Carolina state officials are not powerless to deter illegal aliens from settling in the Tar Heel State. State policies that deny non-essential benefits and services to illegal aliens, and require employers to electronically verify workers' employment eligibility have been upheld by the courts and have worked effectively in other states.