HB56 – SECTIONS OF THE LAW WITH A GREATER IMPACT both on documented and undocumented.

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The bill will be in force September 1, 2011.

EDUCATION.

Under the new law, school authorities can investigate the immigration status of the children. This information will be requested at the end of each school year. In 2011, the school year is finished. Therefore, come and enroll your kids with no fear. By the end of 2012, this information will be put into practice.

IMPORTANT: This part of the law on education will be in force as of January 1, 2012.

DO NOT TAKE ANY RUSHED DECISIONS LIKE LEAVING THE COUNTRY OR CHANGING STATES. WHY THIS RECOMMENDATION? A petition and a lawsuit are already under way by several groups of civil rights, such as the American Civil Liberties Union- ACLU, the American Coalition of Immigrant Justice-ACIJ, the Alabama Appleseed Center for Law & Justice, Inc.

Between now and September 1, 2011, the law can be without effect or blocked. DO NOT RUSH, DO NOT BE AFRAID, OR YOU MAY REGRET IT LATER ON. TRUST IN THE LORD AND INTENSIFY YOUR PRAYER LIFE.

EMPLOYMENT

Under this new law, it is mandatory to check the Social Security # of a potential employee via the E-Verify Federal Program. This section of the law is in force April 21, 2012.

A day laborer can't be hired either. The day laborer may be arrested while he is waiting to be hired, that is, if he does not have valid documentation.

Also, it is considered a crime to make, negotiate or offer fake documents.

RENTALS

A landlord can't lease a property to an undocumented person, otherwise he/she will be committing a crime. He has to check the immigration status of the tenant.

ARRESTS, DETENTIONS, DEPORTATIONS

A police officer can arrest a person on a reasonable doubt that he/she is in this country illegally. The officer can stop someone for a traffic violation. The officer can call ICE. It is a crime to drive without a valid Alabama driver's license.

IT IS IMPORTANT:

- a) Not to sign any papers either in the car, in the jail or in an office, unless it is the speeding ticket or any other ticket.
- b) You have the right to remain silent.
- c) Do not mention your country of origin.
- d) Ask to speak to an attorney.

After 48 hours of having been detained or arrested, if ICE has not come, the police must let you go. Saturdays and Sundays are not included in the 48 hours.

OTHER SECTIONS OF THE LAW

It is considered a crime to hide, host, sponsor or transport an undocumented person, that is, an illegal person. If the person does so, he/she commits a crime and can be arrested with the exception of TME, or, Transportation for Medical Emergency. SHOULD THERE BE ABUSE OF POWER OR RACISM, write down as many details, as much information as possible and call Zayne Smith with Appleseed of Alabama at 1-334-263-0066 or email Zayne at: zayne.smith@alabamaappleseed.org to report the abuse.

All persons deserve to be treated with respect and fairly. You must have FAITH and HOPE and wait upon the Lord that a lawsuit will block this law.

PREPARE A PLAN OF ACTION

Prepare a power-of-attorney whereby you will specify who is going to take care of your properties, if you have any, of your vehicle, of your children, of your bank account. In case of a bank account, open another account in your country so that you can operate from there. Should you have any doubts, consult with an attorney who understands the subject matter of your interest.

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