

## HB21-1075: REPLACE THE TERM ILLEGAL ALIEN

Concerning replacing the term “illegal alien” with “worker without authorization” as it relates to public contracts for services.

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| <b>Bill Sponsors:</b> | House – Lontine (D)<br>Senate – Gonzales (D)                                           |
| <b>Committee:</b>     | House State, Civic, Military and Veterans Affairs                                      |
| <b>Bill History:</b>  | 2/16/2021- Introduced in House                                                         |
| <b>Next Action:</b>   | 2/25/2021- Hearing in House State, Civic, Military and Veterans Affairs                |
| <b>Fiscal Note:</b>   | <u>The bill will increase workload for state and local agencies in FY2021-22 only.</u> |

### Bill Summary

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The bill replaces the term "illegal alien" with "worker without authorization" as it relates to public contracts for services. A “worker without authorization” is defined as an individual who is unable to provide evidence that the individual is authorized by the federal government to work in the United States.

### Issue Summary

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A similar bill, HB20-1294, was introduced during the 2020 regular session, but was not passed due to the constraints of COVID-19. The Health District Board of Directors voted to strongly support the bill. When the label of “illegal alien” or “illegal immigrant” is used it effectively says that the individual, as opposed to the actions the person has taken, is unlawful.

### About this Brief

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This brief was prepared by Health District of Northern Larimer County staff to assist the Health District Board of Directors in determining whether to take an official stand on various health-related issues. The Health District is a special district of the northern two-thirds of Larimer County, Colorado, supported by local property tax dollars and governed by a publicly elected five-member board. The Health District provides medical, mental health, dental, preventive and health planning services to the communities it serves. This brief is not a complete analysis of this policy issue. This brief is accurate to staff knowledge as of date printed. For more information about this summary or the Health District, please contact Alyson Williams, Policy Coordinator, at (970) 224-5209, or e-mail at [awilliams@healthdistrict.org](mailto:awilliams@healthdistrict.org).