

Protecting Migrant Rights Across Borders

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JUSTICE IN MOTION OPPOSES SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT THAT GUTS MIGRANT PROTECTIONS

Background: This week, the Senate is scheduled to consider the <u>Emergency National Security Supplemental Appropriations Act. 2024</u>, including provisions on immigration that have been the subject of bipartisan negotiations. Justice in Motion opposes the bill. In response, Justice in Motion Policy and Government Affairs Director, Keeli Sorensen, released the following statement:

"While encouraged by some provisions in the bill, including government funded legal representation for unaccompanied minors, the inclusion of elements that will make it more likely asylum seekers will be returned to harm compel our opposition. Specifically, we are disappointed to see the return of an expulsion authority similar to Title 42, triggered by the number of border crossings. We are concerned by the heightened screening standards and lack of due process afforded to individuals by the bill, which erect arbitrary barriers to receiving protection under our country's laws. Justice in Motion urges Congress and President Biden to develop legislation that modernizes our country's immigration system in a manner that is consistent with principles of fairness and welcome."