



To: Interested Parties

From: Global Strategy Group

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Re: POLL RESULTS: Senate Battleground Voters Demand Accountability and Reining in ICE

A recent poll of likely 2026 voters in six states (AK, AZ, GA, ME, NH, NV), conducted by Global Strategy Group on behalf of the ACLU, finds significant public support for increasing accountability and reining in ICE.

Key Findings

Voters across these key states want their senators to rein in the aggressive tactics and overreach by ICE. Despite the Republican-leaning electorate (35% self-ID as Republicans and 29% as Democrats), ICE is deeply unpopular in these states (51/46 unfav/fav) – with almost half of voters (47%) holding a very unfavorable view of the agency and 58% agreeing that ICE and Border Patrol have been *too aggressive* in their approach to conducting operations in local communities. In each of these states, more than 55% believed ICE's tactics went too far.

In all six states, voters would be less favorable toward their senator if they voted to fund ICE and Border Patrol with no safeguards. Voters DO NOT want to see their senators support any funding for ICE without safeguards and 45% would be *much* less favorable to those who do (53% total less favorable). This includes 83% of Democrats and 48% of Independents who would be much less favorable towards their senator. Likewise, majorities in each state would favor a temporary DHS shutdown (53%) rather than continuing to fund ICE as it currently operates (45%) – even after hearing this would also impact agencies like TSA and FEMA.

There is a widespread appetite for real reforms to rein in how immigration agencies operate, especially ones that ensure accountability and defend the rule of law. Majorities strongly support individual proposals to hold federal agents responsible – such as ensuring that the recent killings of Renee Good and Alex Pretti are fairly investigated – and to protect people from being wrongly targeted by these agencies. Across these six states, over 60% wanted ICE and Border Patrol to stop using racial profiling for arrests; to stop being rewarded financially for the number of people they detain; and to stop arresting people at schools, churches and hospitals. Each of these proposals won nearly unanimous support (90%+ support) among Democrats, and strong majorities of Independents. Notably, even six out of ten (62%) of Republicans support proposals around open investigations.

Looking ahead, beyond the current crisis in MN, voters overwhelmingly favor a balanced approach to overhauling our immigration system, including providing a path to citizenship and significantly reining in abusive tactics used by ICE and Border Patrol, and they reject the current administration's hardline vision for unlimited mass deportation and unchecked power for federal immigration enforcement. By a 20-point margin, voters want to see ICE and CBP reined in and people who have contributed for years to be able to earn a path to citizenship, rather than doing whatever it takes to deport as many immigrants as possible and further reinforcing immigration agents in American cities (59%/39%).

	Total Support by State						
Proposals	Total BG	AK	AZ	GA	ME	NH	NV
Ensuring that Minnesota officials have complete access to evidence and witnesses to conduct a full investigation into the killings of Renee Good and Alex Pretti	80%	81%	75%	80%	83%	82%	76%
Stop ICE and Border Patrol agents from targeting people based on how they look and require federal officers to have warrants to make arrests for immigration violations	64%	65%	64%	65%	65%	65%	57%
End the bounty system of rewarding ICE and Border Patrol agents by how many people they detain	64%	66%	62%	61%	63%	68%	61%
Restricting ICE and Border Patrol agents from arresting people at hospitals, schools, churches, and other sensitive locations	61%	63%	62%	57%	59%	67%	61%
Allowing victims to sue ICE and Border Patrol agents who shoot or kill them or their relatives	59%	58%	61%	57%	63%	60%	56%
Prohibiting ICE and Border Patrol agents from wearing masks and requiring them to carry identification and wear body cameras	59%	64%	54%	59%	61%	63%	54%

Which of the following comes closer to your view?	Total BG	AK	AZ	GA	ME	NH	NV
We need to fix our entire immigration system in a balanced way - that means offering people who have lived in the US and contributed for years an earned path to becoming citizens, and significantly reining in the abusive tactics of ICE and Border Patrol.	59	58	55	58	59	65	56
Our country has been run over by immigrants. The government needs to do whatever it takes to deport as many immigrants as possible , and we need to make sure federal immigration enforcement agencies have the resources they need to keep American cities safe.	39	41	42	39	38	33	39
Net	+20	+17	+13	+19	+21	+32	+17

ABOUT THE POLL

Global Strategy Group conducted a telephone survey of 1,200 likely 2026 voters in AK, AZ, GA, ME, NH and NV, between January 29 and February 2, 2026. The survey has a margin of error of +/- 2.8% for the total sample, and +/- 6.9% in each of the states. Care has been taken to ensure the geographic, political, and demographic divisions of the population of likely voters are properly represented.