
SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Sabrina Cervantes, Chair
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AB 1994 (Alvarez) - Defending Immigrant Victims Act

Version: June 25, 2026

Urgency: No

Hearing Date: August 13, 2026

Policy Vote: PUB. S. 6 - 0

Mandate: Yes

Consultant: Bob Franzoia

Bill Summary: AB 1994, the Defending Immigrant Victims Act, would require law enforcement agencies to provide a resources card containing information about federal immigration relief to crime victims. Because this bill would result in additional duties on local law enforcement and prosecuting agencies in informing victims, this bill would impose a state mandated local program.

***** ANALYSIS ADDENDUM – SUSPENSE FILE *****

The following information is revised to reflect amendments
adopted by the committee on August 13, 2026

Fiscal Impact: Minor costs to the Department of Justice to design the Immigrant Victims' Rights and Resources card.

Minor to moderate costs to state law enforcement agencies to produce and distribute the Immigrant Victims' Rights and Resources card, as specified.

Potentially significant cost to local law enforcement agencies to produce and distribute Immigrant Victims' Rights and Resources cards. Actual reimbursement would be determined by the Commission on State Mandates claims process (General Fund).

Author Amendments: Provide that the requirements of this bill shall commence no later than January 1, 2028.

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