Immigration issues:
What Mexicans should know

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Formal legislative discussions on immigration reform in the United States started in April. Filing an initiative is the first step in a process that could last a few months.

Important

It is very important to have updated information on this issue. Thus, the Consulate of Mexico informs:

1. On April 17th an immigration reform initiative was filed in the United States Senate. Legislative debates will last a few months. **No law has been approved. No application or registration process has been established. No fees have been set.**

2. **No individuals – neither lawyers, nor advisors – have been authorized to intercede before the authorities or to file any paperwork related to immigration reform** (such as a possible path to a legal status, work permit or Green Card).

3. **Stay informed through official sources** to prevent fraud and abuse. If you have questions or concerns, or if someone offers assistance to allegedly regularize your immigration status, you may **contact the Consulate of Mexico for general guidance, free of charge.**

There are laws in place to prevent immigration-related scams. Learn more about the laws in your State and how to report frauds at the following U.S. Government website:

www.uscis.gov/eviteestafas

Remember, being informed helps preventing fraud and abuse.

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