Attorney General Moody's Week In Review - Oct. 1, 2021



This week, my office took legal action against the Biden administration for ignoring federal immigration law and exacerbating the crisis at our nation's Southern Border. The Biden administration's brazen disregard for federal law is jeopardizing the safety and security of our state and nation, all while costing Florida taxpayers. More than \$100 million per year is spent incarcerating individuals in the country illegally who are convicted of crimes in Florida.

Because President Biden is not requiring those illegally crossing the border to go through the mandated channels, thousands are coming into our country without being properly processed—and in some cases bringing dangerous and lethal drugs, such as fentanyl, with them.

Nearly 10,000 pounds of fentanyl has been <u>seized</u> at the Southern Border so far this year, nearly doubling last year's total seizures—and that's just the fentanyl our U.S. border agents are catching. Many more deadly drugs are getting through, continuing to flood into our state, putting our residents at risk.

The federal government cannot simply ignore federal laws because it does not agree with them politically. By not following the law, the Biden administration has allowed the border crisis to grow into a public safety threat for our state.

I am proud to stand with Governor Ron DeSantis in ensuring the law is followed, and I will continue to aggressively pursue legal action to protect the interests of our state and our nation.



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