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Community Update:

Preliminary Injunction Blocking Extended DACA/DAPA Implementation Remains Intact For Now

On May 26, 2015, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit denied the Obama Administration's emergency request to suspend the preliminary injunction that has prevented Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and Deferred Action for Parental Accountability (DAPA) expansion from going into effect. In a 2-1 decision, the appeals court denied the motion for stay "...because the government is unlikely to succeed on the merits of its appeal of the injunction."

Some 5 million undocumented immigrants would qualify for extended DACA/DAPA, which would have been implemented on May 19 but for the injunction. The appeals court also denied the Administration's request to narrow the scope of the injunction to the 26 states - Ohio included - that oppose the President's executive action. Fifteen states and the District of Columbia have filed "friend-of-the-court" briefs in support of the President's plan.

Expanded DACA differs from the current DACA program in that it grants temporary legal status for three years instead of two, eliminates the age ceiling and expands eligibility to individuals who

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began residing in the US before January 1, 2010. DAPA would provide temporary legal status to unauthorized parents of U.S. citizens or Lawful Permanent Residents.

The Administration's appeal of the preliminary injunction, which is separate from its request to stay the injunction, is still pending. The 5th circuit will hear oral arguments beginning on July 6.

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Earlier this month, a group of 30 individuals traveled to the Statehouse to protest Ohio's involvement in the lawsuit. A Columbus Dispatch article on their protest and signed petitions can be read [here](#).



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- May 29

Head Start 50th

Ohio Joins "Ban the Box" Movement

Beginning June 1, Ohio will be the 17th state to join the "ban the box" movement by eliminating the box on initial job applications that require individuals to divulge past criminal convictions. Initiated by Hawaii in the late 1990s, Governor Kasich's decision to "ban the box" will affect nearly two million Ohioans who have been convicted of past crimes.

"Ban the box" does not mean that ex-convicts need not disclose past felonies, but it allows a job applicant to be initially judged on his or her merits and accomplishments, rather than criminal history. The movement will allow past-offending job applicants to explain circumstances surrounding their criminal

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record in subsequent steps of the interview process.

In Ohio, the "ban the box" movement will only apply to state agencies, however, six states have already placed the same restrictions on private employers, and a number of Ohio legislators have previously proposed to do the same. Department of Rehabilitation and Correction Director Gary Mohr says that removing the box from state applications is a "huge deal" and will help advance the department's goal of reducing recidivism. The Ohio Chamber of Commerce has stated that the decision to "ban the box" should remain in the hands of business owners.

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Dayton Daily News - [Ohio latest state to remove box on conviction from job form](#)

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