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Sixty-fifth General Assembly  
STATE OF COLORADO

**PREAMENDED**

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LLS NO. 06B-2032.01 Richard Sweetman

**SENATE BILL 06S-004**

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**SENATE SPONSORSHIP**

**Shaffer,**

**HOUSE SPONSORSHIP**

**McFadyen,**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101    **CONCERNING A PROHIBITION AGAINST THE EXTORTION OF**  
102    **IMMIGRANTS.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not necessarily reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted.)*

Prohibits extortion based on threats relating to a person's status as an illegal immigrant.

Makes a 5-year statutory appropriation.

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1    *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

1           **SECTION 1.** 18-3-207 (4), Colorado Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended, and the said 18-3-207 is further amended BY THE ADDITION  
3 OF A NEW SUBSECTION, to read:

4           **18-3-207. Criminal extortion - aggravated extortion.** (1.5) A  
5 PERSON COMMITS CRIMINAL EXTORTION IF THE PERSON, WITH THE INTENT  
6 TO INDUCE ANOTHER PERSON AGAINST THAT OTHER PERSON'S WILL TO  
7 PERFORM AN ACT OR REFRAIN FROM PERFORMING A LAWFUL ACT,  
8 THREATENS TO REPORT TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS THE  
9 IMMIGRATION STATUS OF THE THREATENED PERSON OR ANOTHER PERSON.

10           (4) Criminal extortion, as described in ~~subsection~~ SUBSECTIONS  
11 (1) AND (1.5) of this section, is a class 4 felony. Aggravated criminal  
12 extortion, as described in subsection (2) of this section, is a class 3 felony.

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14           **SECTION 2. No appropriation.** The general assembly has  
15 determined that this act can be implemented within existing  
16 appropriation, and therefore no separate appropriation of state moneys is  
17 necessary to carry out the purposes of this act.

18           **SECTION 3. Exception to the requirements of section**  
19 **2-2-703, Colorado Revised Statutes.** The general assembly hereby finds  
20 that the amendments to section 18-3-207, Colorado Revised Statutes,  
21 enacted in this act will result in the minor fiscal impact of three additional  
22 offender being convicted and sentenced to the department of corrections  
23 during the five years following passage of this act. Because of the  
24 relative insignificance of this degree of fiscal impact, these amendments  
25 are an exception to the five-year appropriation requirements specified in  
26 section 2-2-703, Colorado Revised Statutes. The general assembly makes  
27 this finding as an exception to section 2-2-703, Colorado Revised

1     Statutes.

2             **SECTION 4. Effective date - applicability.** This act shall take  
3     effect upon passage and shall apply to offenses committed on or after said  
4     date.

5             **SECTION 5. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,  
6     determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate  
7     preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.