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SHOULD THE STATES TAKE ON IMMIGRATION?

With Congress deadlocked on immigration, state lawmakers across the country continue to take matters into their own hands. So far in 2011, ten states have enacted tough enforcement measures, mandating E-Verify for employers or empowering local police to ask people about their immigration status.

But the overall picture emerging from the states is more nuanced than many expected. Not all draconian enforcement measures proposed this year are being enacted into law, not even in Arizona. In Utah, Indiana and elsewhere, business leaders and pragmatic Republicans have sought more sensible approaches.

Meanwhile, even as states continue to alter the reality on the ground, their right to do so under the Constitution remains unsettled. The recent Supreme Court ruling upholding Arizona's 2007 employer sanctions law expanded the states' right to regulate what employers do, but it's unclear whether the decision also empowers states to use policing and other means to control immigration. And what will happen if Congress overturns state workplace enforcement measures by passing an E-Verify bill of its own?

Join ImmigrationWorks USA and the New America Foundation to consider these questions. Panelists will include state leaders trying to forge responsible immigration policies and legal scholars who will assess how immigration fits into the broader national debate about federalism – in healthcare policy, gay marriage and environmental regulation.

WHEN July 19, 2011 from 8:30 to 11:00 registration from 8:15 a.m.

WHERE National Press Club 529 14th Street NW, Washington DC

PANEL ONE The States: Improbable Laboratories of Immigration Policy

Michelle Bolton Greater Phoenix Chamber of Commerce

Curt Bramble Utah State Senator

Mark Gerstle VP and CAO, Cummins Inc.

Mark Shurtleff Attorney General of Utah

PANEL TWO SB 1070, ICE and E-Verify: The Founding Fathers' View

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