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## Alabama's ICE Crackdown: Modern Fascism

ICE's tactics are designed to terrorize. In Lee County, raids on restaurants led to 40 arrests, with detainees funneled into expedited deportation proceedings. Families are torn apart; children come home to find parents missing. Even legal residents and U.S. citizens are avoiding public spaces, fearing profiling based on "skin color or accent".

State laws amplify this cruelty. Alabama's new legislation criminalizes transporting undocumented immigrants—a move so broad it could implicate family members, landlords, or even churches offering shelter. Tennessee has gone further, threatening elected officials with felony charges for supporting sanctuary policies. These laws are not about safety; they are about codifying oppression.

As one construction CEO admitted, "Our industry has to have the Hispanic immigrant-based workers" 5. Yet instead of acknowledging this dependence, the state vilifies these same workers, scapegoating them for economic struggles caused by decades of corporate greed and policy failure.

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