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Scoop: In April, ICE sent 2 directives to law enforcement agencies across Texas, informing them that they must consult with the federal agency before responding to records requests — even if the records are property of the local agency



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In April, an officer w/ the Big Sandy Police Department stopped a man for what was likely a traffic violation, according to immigration attorney Belinda Arroyo

The man was detained for 2 hours

Big Sandy Police has an agreement with ICE to help arrest undocumented migrants

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But when Arroyo submitted a records request with the Big Sandy Police Department seeking records on the encounter, police chief David Easterling said he consulted with ICE and declined to release records about the encounter

The police chief told Arroyo to file a FOIA with ICE

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Bill Aleshire, an open records expert, said Easterling violated the state's open records law if he didn't seek a ruling from @TXAG before declining to release the records

It's unclear if Easterling reached out to @TXAG. He didn't respond to multiple requests for comment

> Aleshire reviewed Easterling's response to the records request and said the police chief violated state law if he asked anyone besides the attorney general's office whether to release the records.
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> Easterling did not respond to two phone calls or an email asking why he consulted with a federal agency and not the attorney general's office when declining to release records on the encounter.
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> The attorney general's office, which enforces the state's open records law, did not respond to a phone call, email or text message asking if the agency had received a request for a ruling from the Big Sandy Police Department.

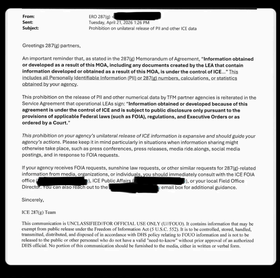
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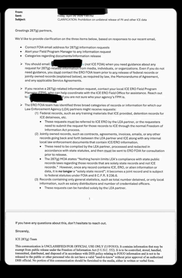
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Big Sandy Police is one of at least 300 agencies in Texas that has a 287(g) agreement with ICE.

ICE declined to say if it sent the 2 directives to every law enforcement agency in Texas

Here are the 2 directives ICE sent out





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H/T to @MoniqueOMadan who first reported that ICE was telling state law enforcement in Florida and Texas to filter records requests to them

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By the careless stroke of his pen @GovWesMoore likewise signed 287(g) into "law" w/disastrous results; @Rockville411 dirty cops, in cahoots w/@ICEgov & @MDGOP targeted me 4 harassment & abuse Sept 2024. Beat, then jailed sans cause-this innocent @MdVeterans 48+ hrs; I almost died



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