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### **Statement from Tennessee Attorney General Herbert Slatery III regarding today's U.S. Supreme Court Decision (Texas v. U.S.)**

“Today’s U.S. Supreme Court decision is a welcome result. With the Court affirming the lower court, we finally have a decision placing limits on executive authority and confining its role to enforcing, and not making, our laws. The original complaint in this action said it best, “this lawsuit is not about immigration. It is about the rule of law, presidential power, and the structural limits of the U.S. Constitution.” Everyone is frustrated over immigration, regardless of viewpoint. Congress needs to resolve this issue and has done virtually nothing. But with that said, the President does not have the authority to change the law, whether by directive, executive order, a letter, or the like. That role is reserved for Congress. Otherwise the people do not have a voice or an opportunity to influence policy. Today’s decision confirms that.”

