

# United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit

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No. 24-50950  
Summary Calendar

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United States Court of Appeals  
Fifth Circuit

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Lyle W. Cayce  
Clerk

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

*Plaintiff—Appellee,*

*versus*

DAVID GAMBOA-HERRERA,

*Defendant—Appellant.*

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Appeal from the United States District Court  
for the Western District of Texas  
USDC No. 3:24-CR-1252-1

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Before JONES, DENNIS, and SOUTHWICK, *Circuit Judges.*

PER CURIAM:\*

David Gamboa-Herrera appeals the sentence imposed following his guilty plea conviction for illegal reentry in violation of 8 U.S.C. § 1326. For the first time on appeal, he challenges the application of the enhanced penalty range in § 1326(b) as unconstitutional because it permits a defendant to be sentenced above the statutory maximum under § 1326(a) based on a prior

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\* This opinion is not designated for publication. *See* 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.

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conviction that was not alleged in the indictment or found by a jury beyond a reasonable doubt. As he correctly concedes, this issue is foreclosed by *Almendarez-Torres v. United States*, 523 U.S. 224 (1998). See *United States v. Pervis*, 937 F.3d 546, 553–54 (5th Cir. 2019). He raises this issue to preserve it for further review. The Government has filed a motion for summary affirmance or, alternatively, for an extension of time to file a brief. Gamboa-Herrera takes no position on the Government’s motion.

Because summary affirmance is appropriate, *Groendyke Transp., Inc. v. Davis*, 406 F.2d 1158, 1162 (5th Cir. 1969), the Government’s motion for summary affirmance is GRANTED, the Government’s alternative motion for an extension of time to file a brief is DENIED AS MOOT, and the district court’s judgment is AFFIRMED.