

**The Illegal Line**  
**Will Hoge**

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Standard Tune - No Capo

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The [SOLO] section seems to start in A and work its way down the fret board

**Em** **G** **Em**

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Well I must have walked for fourteen days

**Em** **G** **Em**

All that I could carry and I made my way

**Em** **G** **D**

To the new holy land not a grand parade

**Em** **G** **Em**

Snuck across the border to the U.S.A.

**Em** **G** **Em**

Didn t take too long for me to find some work

**Em** **G** **Em**

Just stood there waitin round in the Texas dirt

**Em** **G** **D**

And now I lay concrete the way I did back home

**Em** **G** **Em**

From 6 am until the light is gone

**Em** **G** **Em**

Then it s back to the hotel drink a case of beer

**Em** **G** **Em**

One for every person that s livin here

**Em** **G** **D**

Four dollars an hour but nobody moans

**Em** **G** **Em**

Cause it s three fifty more than we can get back home

**Em** **G** **Em**

Then I send the money back down to my sweet wife

**Em** **G** **Em**

So she can tell my children bout a better life

**Em** **G** **D**

Papa s tryin hard just to make it fine

**Em** **G** **Em**

Fifty miles north of that illegal line

[SOLO]

**Em** **G** **Em**  
Late one night they came in through the door  
**Em** **G** **Em**  
With guns and lights screamin get on the floor  
**Em** **G** **D**  
They cuffed us up tight and hauled us all away  
**Em** **G** **Em**  
Couldn t hardly understand a single word they d say

**Em** **G** **Em**  
Early next mornin judge drug us in  
**Em** **G** **Em**  
He stared us all down just like guilty men  
**Em** **G** **D**  
He said any of you boys got a thing to say?  
**Em** **G** **Em**  
I asked him what would he do if he was in my place

**Em** **G** **Em**  
He said there s rules boy and this just aint the way  
**Em** **G** **Em**  
And I said sometimes a starvin family just can t wait  
**Em** **G** **D**  
But he slammed down his gavel now I m doin time  
**Em** **G** **Em**  
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