

114TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5804

To amend section 412(a)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality Act to require the Director of the Office of Refugee Resettlement to obtain the approval of the Governor of a State before placing or resettling a refugee with the State, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 14, 2016

Mr. CULBERSON (for himself, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. BRADY of Texas, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. FARENTHOLD, and Mr. SESSIONS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “No Resettlement With-
5 out Consent Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CONDITIONS ON DOMESTIC RESETTLEMENT OF**
2 **REFUGEES.**

3 Section 412(a)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality
4 Act (8 U.S.C. 1522(a)(2)) is amended by adding at the
5 end the following:

6 “(E) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in-
7 cluding the preceding provisions of this paragraph, begin-
8 ning on the date of the enactment of this subparagraph,
9 the following limitations on programs for domestic reset-
10 tlement of refugees under this chapter shall apply:

11 “(i) The Director shall not place or resettle a
12 refugee within a State without the approval of the
13 Governor of the State.

14 “(ii) Notwithstanding any approval granted
15 under clause (i), the Director shall not place or re-
16 settle a refugee in any locality within a State if the
17 locality has in effect a law, or a policy with the ef-
18 fect of law, disapproving of refugee resettlement in
19 that locality.”.

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