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To amend section 412(a)(2) of the Immigration and Nationality Act to require ratification of a plan with respect to a refugee by the legislature of a State before the refugee may be initially placed or resettled in the State, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 8, 2017

Mr. PERRY (for himself, Mr. BROOKS of Alabama, Mr. DUNCAN of South Carolina, Mr. BIGGS, and Mr. NORMAN) 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 “Allow State Sov-
5 ereignty Upon Refugee Entry (ASSURE) Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. LIMITATIONS ON PROGRAMS FOR DOMESTIC RE-**
2 **SETTLEMENT OF AND ASSISTANCE TO REFU-**
3 **GEES.**

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

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

13 “(i)(I) Before the initial placement or resettlement of a refugee in a State is made, and before any
14 assistance under this chapter is provided to a refugee in a State, the Director shall submit a plan to
15 the legislature of the State on the refugee.

16 “(II) The plan shall include the following information with respect to the refugee:

17 “(aa) All necessary and foreseen costs to
18 the State for housing, providing benefits to, and
19 education of, the refugee.

20 “(bb) All vaccination and health records of
21 the refugee in the possession of the Director.

22 “(cc) All criminal history of the refugee.

1 “(dd) Any ties to a terrorist organization
2 or organizations.

3 “(ee) Whether the refugee is affiliated with
4 any of the groups listed as unindicted co-con-
5 spirators in the case of United States of Amer-
6 ica v. Holy Land Foundation for Relief and De-
7 velopment.

8 “(ff) All records of the refugee found in
9 the Department of State’s Consular Lookout
10 and Support System.

11 “(gg) All records of the refugee that result
12 from the refugee interview conducted by United
13 States Citizenship and Immigration Services.

14 “(III) A plan described in this clause may per-
15 tain to multiple refugees so long as the information
16 described in subclause (II) is provided with respect
17 to each refugee in the group.

18 “(IV) Before the initial placement or resettlement of a refugee in a State is made, and before any assistance under this chapter is provided to a refugee in a State, the plan required under this clause must be ratified by the State legislature and signed into law by the Governor of the State.

24 “(ii) No funds authorized or appropriated by
25 Federal law, and none of the funds in any trust fund

1 to which funds are authorized or appropriated by
2 Federal law, shall be expended for any position that
3 assists in the resettlement of refugees to the United
4 States, contracted by the Secretary of State or the
5 Secretary of Health and Human Services.

6 “(iii) If a plan described in this clause is rati-
7 fied by the State legislature and signed into law by
8 the Governor of the State, the State may, at the op-
9 tion of the State, enter into contracts with public or
10 private entities to carry out programs for domestic
11 resettlement of, and assistance to, the refugee or ref-
12 ugees who are the subjects of the plan.

13 “(iv) The State shall receive reimbursement
14 from the Federal Government for any expenses in-
15 curred under clause (iii).”.

16 **SEC. 3. INCLUSION OF IMMIGRATION INFORMATION IN**
17 **PROVIDING IDENTITY HISTORY SUMMARIES.**

18 The Attorney General and the Director of the Federal
19 Bureau of Investigation shall ensure that the following in-
20 formation (to the extent obtainable by the Director) is in-
21 cluded in every Identity History Summary provided by the
22 Federal Bureau of Investigation:

23 (1) Information on the immigration or citizen-
24 ship status of the subject of the Identity History
25 Summary.

1 (2) Any violation of the immigration laws (as
2 defined in section 101(a)(17) of the Immigration
3 and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(17))) that
4 has been adjudicated with respect to such subject.

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