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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 9, 2023

Mr. Molinaro (for himself, Mr. D’Esposito, Mr. Lawler, Mr. Langworthy, and Mr. Williams of New York) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce

JUNE 30, 2023

Additional sponsors: Mrs. Houchin and Ms. Malliotakis

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Reported with an amendment, committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, and ordered to be printed

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[For text of introduced bill, see copy of bill as introduced on June 9, 2023]
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Schools Not Shelters Act”.

SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON USE OF SCHOOL AND INSTITUTION FACILITIES TO SHELTER CERTAIN ALIENS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—As a condition on receipt of Federal financial assistance under any applicable program by a public elementary school, a public secondary school, or an institution of higher education, the facilities of the school or institution may not be used to provide shelter or housing for specified aliens.

(b) CONSTRUCTION.—Subsection (a) shall apply notwithstanding subparagraphs (B) and (D) of section 401(b)(1) of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1611(b)(1)) and paragraphs (2) and (4) of section 411(b) of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1621(b)).

(c) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this Act:

(1) The term “applicable program” has the meaning given such term in section 400 of the General Education Provisions Act (20 U.S.C. 1221).
(2) The terms “elementary school” and “secondary school” have the meaning given such terms in section 8101 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801).

(3) The term “Federal financial assistance” has the meaning given such term in section 7501(a)(5) of title 31, United States Code.

(4) The term “institution of higher education”—
   (A) has the meaning given such term in section 102 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002); and
   (B) does not include an institution that is not located in a State.

(5) The term “shelter or housing”—
   (A) means emergency shelter or housing provided exclusively to specified aliens under order of the Federal Government, a State, or a unit of local government; and
   (B) does not include short-term emergency shelter made necessary by a specified disaster.

(6) The term “specified alien” means an alien (as defined in section 101(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a))) who has not been admitted (as so defined).

(7) The term “specified disaster” means—
(A) a fire on public or private forest land or grassland described in section 420 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5187); and

(B) any fire, flood, explosion, hurricane, tornado, storm, high water, wind-driven water, tidal wave, tsunami, earthquake, volcanic eruption, landslide, mudslide, snowstorm, or drought for which a disaster declaration is made by the Federal Government or a State.

(8) The term “State” means any State of the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
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