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# H. R. 3237

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for a limitation on availability of student visas for institutions in sanctuary jurisdictions.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 7, 2025

Ms. HAGEMAN (for herself, Mr. GILL of Texas, Mr. GOSAR, and Mr. NEHLS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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## 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 Student Visas for  
5 Sanctuary Cities Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF F-VISAS AND M-**  
2 **VISAS FOR INSTITUTIONS IN SANCTUARY JU-**  
3 **RISDICTIONS.**

4 Section 214(m) of the Immigration and Nationality  
5 Act (8 U.S.C. 1184(m)) is amended by adding at the end  
6 the following:

7 “(3)(A) The Secretary of Homeland Security shall,  
8 for each fiscal year, identify sanctuary jurisdictions for  
9 purposes of this paragraph.

10 “(B) In the case of an alien who seeks a visa under  
11 or to be accorded status as a nonimmigrant under section  
12 101(a)(15)(F) to pursue a course of study at an estab-  
13 lished college, university, conservatory, academic high  
14 school, elementary school, or other academic institution or  
15 in an accredited language training program in the United  
16 States, if such college, university, conservatory, academic  
17 high school, elementary school, or other academic institu-  
18 tion or accredited language training program is located in  
19 a sanctuary jurisdiction, such visa may not be issued nor  
20 may such status be accorded.

21 “(C) In the case of an alien who seeks a visa under  
22 or to be accorded status as a nonimmigrant under section  
23 101(a)(15)(M) to pursue a full course of study at an es-  
24 tablished vocational or other recognized nonacademic in-  
25 stitution (other than in a language training program) in  
26 the United States, if such vocational or other recognized

1 nonacademic institution is located in a sanctuary jurisdic-  
2 tion, such visa may not be issued nor may such status  
3 be accorded.

4 “(D) The prohibition under subparagraphs (B) and  
5 (C) do not apply for a fiscal year in the case of a State  
6 or unit of local government identified as a sanctuary juris-  
7 diction if the Secretary of Homeland Security thereafter  
8 determines that such State or unit of local government  
9 is no longer a sanctuary jurisdiction and submits a report  
10 to Congress to that effect.

11 “(E) For purposes of this paragraph, the term ‘sanc-  
12 tuary jurisdiction’ means any State or unit of local govern-  
13 ment that has laws, ordinances, regulations, resolutions,  
14 policies, or other practices that obstruct immigration en-  
15 forcement and shield criminals from U.S. Immigration  
16 and Customs Enforcement, including by—

17 “(i) refusing to or prohibiting agencies from  
18 complying with U.S. Immigration and Customs En-  
19 forcement detainers;

20 “(ii) imposing unreasonable conditions on U.S.  
21 Immigration and Customs Enforcement detainer  
22 compliance;

23 “(iii) denying U.S. Immigration and Customs  
24 Enforcement access to interview incarcerated aliens;  
25 or

1           “(iv) otherwise impeding communication or in-  
2           formation exchanges between the jurisdiction’s per-  
3           sonnel and Federal immigration officers.”.

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