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To prohibit Federal funds from being made available to any State or local government that arrests or prosecutes Federal law enforcement officers for performing duties related to the enforcement of Federal immigration law.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. ARRINGTON (for himself, Mr. SELF, Mr. HIGGINS of Louisiana, Ms. TENNEY, Mr. MCCORMICK, Mr. NEHLS, Mr. BURCHETT, and Mr. GROTHMAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

To prohibit Federal funds from being made available to any State or local government that arrests or prosecutes Federal law enforcement officers for performing duties related to the enforcement of Federal immigration law.

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Safeguarding Home-
3 land Immigration Enforcement from Local Detention Act
4 of 2025” or as the “SHIELD Act of 2025”.

5 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

6 The Congress finds as follows:

7 (1) The Constitution vests the Federal Govern-
8 ment with exclusive authority over the enforcement
9 of immigration laws.

10 (2) Federal law enforcement officers acting
11 within the scope of their duties must not be subject
12 to arrest, detention, or prosecution by State or local
13 jurisdictions for carrying out lawful immigration en-
14 forcement activities.

15 (3) Certain jurisdictions have threatened or
16 taken actions to impede Federal immigration en-
17 forcement, thereby undermining the rule of law and
18 public safety.

19 **SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON FEDERAL FUNDS TO JURISDIC-**
20 **TIONS THAT ARREST OR PROSECUTE FED-**
21 **ERAL OFFICERS.**

22 (a) IN GENERAL.—No Federal financial assistance
23 may be made available to a State or political subdivision
24 thereof that—

25 (1) arrests, detains, or prosecutes a Federal law
26 enforcement officer; or

1 (2) otherwise interferes with or obstructs such
2 officer, for actions taken by that officer in the lawful
3 performance of their duties relating to the enforce-
4 ment of Federal immigration law.

5 (b) DETERMINATION.—The Attorney General in con-
6 sultation with the Secretary of Homeland Security, shall
7 determine whether a State or unit of local government has
8 engaged in conduct described in subsection (a).

9 (c) INELIGIBILITY.—For fiscal year 2026, and each
10 fiscal year thereafter, a State or political subdivision
11 thereof determined to have engaged in the conduct de-
12 scribed in subsection (a) at any time during the fiscal year
13 is ineligible to receive Federal financial assistance for that
14 fiscal year.

15 (d) REALLOCATION.—Any Federal financial assist-
16 ance that a State or political subdivision thereof is ineli-
17 gible to receive pursuant to subsection (c) shall be reallo-
18 cated to States or political subdivisions of States that are
19 not ineligible under such section.

20 (e) DEFINITIONS.—In this Act:

21 (1) The term “Federal financial assistance” has
22 the meaning given the term in section 7501 of title
23 31, United States Code.

24 (2) The term “State” means any State of the
25 United States, the District of Columbia, the Com-

1 monwealth of Puerto Rico, the Northern Mariana Is-
2 lands, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam,
3 American Samoa, and any other territory or posses-
4 sion of the United States.

5 **SEC. 4. RESTORATION OF FUNDING.**

6 Federal financial assistance withheld under section 3
7 shall be restored only if the Attorney General certifies the
8 head of the Federal agency that administers such Federal
9 financial assistance that the State or political subdivision
10 thereof has ceased the offending conduct and has provided
11 written assurances that such interference will not recur.

12 **SEC. 5. DEFINITIONS.**

13 In this Act:

14 (1) The term “Federal law enforcement officer”
15 means any officer, agent, or employee authorized by
16 the Department of Homeland Security, the Depart-
17 ment of Justice, or any other Federal agency to en-
18 force immigration laws.

19 (2) The term “Federal funds” includes any
20 grant, contract, cooperative agreement, or other
21 form of financial assistance provided by a Federal
22 department or agency.

1 **SEC. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2 This Act shall take effect on the date of enactment
3 of this Act.

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