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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself and Mr. LANKFORD) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

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 “State Accountability
5 for Federal Deployment Costs Act of 2025”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

1 (1) Immigration enforcement is a constitu-
2 tionally and statutorily delegated power of the Fed-
3 eral Government.

4 (2) Certain States and units of local govern-
5 ment have refused to assist with, or have actively ob-
6 structed, lawful Federal immigration enforcement
7 operations, including by refusing to comply with im-
8 migration detainer requests and obstructing Federal
9 immigration enforcement operations (commonly re-
10 ferred to as “raids”).

11 (3) Such noncompliance and obstruction can re-
12 sult in civil unrest, security breakdowns, and law en-
13 forcement emergencies that require the deployment
14 of Federal military forces, including the National
15 Guard under section 12406 of title 10, United
16 States Code, or active-duty military personnel.

17 (4) Such deployments impose substantial costs
18 on the Department of Defense and United States
19 taxpayers, which should be reimburse by the States
20 and units of local government whose noncompliance
21 with or obstruction of Federal immigration enforce-
22 ment actions created the need for such deployments.

23 **SEC. 3. REIMBURSEMENT REQUIREMENT.**

24 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Defense shall
25 submit a reimbursement invoice to the Governor of the

1 affected State whenever Federal military personnel (in-
2 cluding members of the National Guard and units of the
3 Selected Reserve) are deployed, under Federal authority,
4 to any jurisdiction as a direct result of—

5 (1) civil disturbances stemming from lawful
6 Federal immigration enforcement operations; and

7 (2) the failure of a State or unit of local gov-
8 ernment to provide reasonable cooperation or coordi-
9 nation with such operations.

10 (b) COVERED COSTS.—Cost that are reimbursable
11 under subsection (a) shall include—

12 (1) temporary duty travel (TDY) and per diem
13 for Federal military personnel deployed in accord-
14 ance with subsection (a);

15 (2) housing, lodging, and meals for such per-
16 sonnel; and

17 (3) transportation of such personnel and their
18 equipment.

19 (c) DETERMINATION OF NONCOOPERATION.—The
20 Secretary of Homeland Security, in consultation with the
21 Attorney General, shall issue a public determination as to
22 whether the actions or omissions of a State or unit of local
23 government materially hindered or failed to support the
24 Federal immigration enforcement operations that led to
25 the deployment of Federal military personnel.

1 (d) PAYMENT AND OFFSET.—

2 (1) PAYMENT DUE DATE.—Each State shall
3 remit full payment of an invoice received pursuant
4 to subsection (a) not later than 180 days after re-
5 ceiving such invoice from the Department of De-
6 fense.

7 (2) OFFSET.—If a State fails to remit a pay-
8 ment in accordance with paragraph (1), the Presi-
9 dent, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense,
10 the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Attorney
11 General, and the heads of other Federal depart-
12 ments or agencies, as appropriate, may rescind 1 or
13 more discretionary grants awarded to the State by
14 the Federal Government to offset such nonpayment.

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