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1ST SESSION

H. R. 2729

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 14, 2019

Mr. QUIGLEY (for himself, Ms. JAYAPAL, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. GARCÍA of Illinois, and Ms. GARCIA of Texas) 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 “Protecting the Rights

5 Of Towns against federal Enforcement contrary to Con-

1 stitutional Tenets for Immigration Act of 2019” or as the
2 “PROTECT Immigration Act of 2019”.

3 **SEC. 2. RESCISSION OF STATE AND LOCAL IMMIGRATION
4 ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY.**

5 Section 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality
6 Act (8 U.S.C. 1357(g)) is amended to read as follows:

7 “(g) Except as provided in paragraph (10) of section
8 103(a), in section 274(c), and in section 439 of the
9 Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996
10 (8 U.S.C. 1252c), the authority to inquire about or verify
11 immigration or citizenship status and to investigate, ap-
12 prehend, arrest, or detain an individual for a violation of
13 this Act or any regulation authorized by this Act is re-
14 stricted to immigration officers and authorized employees
15 of the Department of Homeland Security and subject to
16 limits set forth in other provisions of law.”.

