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H. R. 3550

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act with respect to refugee admission and resettlement.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 21, 2025

Ms. MACE 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 “No Resettlement Without
5 Representation Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. CONGRESSIONAL AUTHORITY TO SET REFUGEE**

7 **CAP.**

8 Section 207 of the Immigration and Nationality Act
9 (8 U.S.C. 1157) is amended—

10 (1) in subsection (a)—

1 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Except”
2 and all that follows through the period at the
3 end and inserting the following: “Before the be-
4 ginning of a fiscal year and after appropriate
5 consultation (as defined in subsection (e)), the
6 President shall submit to Congress a rec-
7 ommendation on the number of refugees who
8 may be admitted under this section in any fiscal
9 year.”;

10 (B) by striking paragraph (2) and insert-
11 ing the following:

12 “(2) Except as provided in subsection (b), no refugees
13 may be admitted under this section in a fiscal year until
14 such time as a joint resolution is enacted which sets the
15 number of refugees who may be admitted under this sec-
16 tion in that fiscal year.”; and

17 (C) in paragraph (4)—

18 (i) by striking “determination” and
19 inserting “recommendation”;

20 (ii) by striking “(beginning with fiscal
21 year 1992)” and inserting “(beginning
22 with fiscal year 2025)”; and

23 (iii) by striking “determined” and in-
24 serting “recommended”;

25 (2) in subsection (b)—

1 (A) by striking “fix” and inserting “submit
2 to Congress a recommendation for”;

3 (B) by striking “situation and such” and
4 inserting “situation. Any such”;

5 (C) by striking “determination made by
6 the President” and insert “recommendation
7 made by the President”; and

8 (D) by adding at the end the following:
9 “No refugees may be admitted under this sub-
10 section until such time as a joint resolution is
11 enacted which sets the number of refugees who
12 may be admitted under this subsection.”;

13 (3) in subsection (c)(1), by striking “Subject to
14 the numerical limitations established pursuant to
15 subsections (a) and (b),” and inserting “Subject to
16 the enactment of a joint resolution under subsection
17 (a) or (b), and the numerical limitations established
18 pursuant to such a resolution,”; and

19 (4) in subsection (d)(3), by striking “deter-
20 mination” each place it appears and inserting “rec-
21 ommendation”.

22 **SEC. 3. STATES AUTHORITY TO REJECT REFUGEES.**

23 Section 412 of the Immigration and Nationality Act
24 (8 U.S.C. 1522) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
25 lowing:

1 “(g) LIMITATION ON RESETTLEMENT.—(1) Not later
2 than 30 days before the date on which a refugee is to be
3 resettled in a State, the Director or Federal agency admin-
4 istering subsection (b)(1) shall submit to the chief execu-
5 tive of the State in which resettlement is to take place
6 a notice of the intention to resettle aliens in such State.

7 “(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this sec-
8 tion, the Director or the Federal agency administering
9 subsection (b)(1) may not resettle any refugee or coordi-
10 nate placement of any refugee in a State if the chief execu-
11 tive of the State communicates to the Director that the
12 State does not accede to the resettlement or placement of
13 refugees in that State.”.

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