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To require advance consultation with State and local officials and monthly reports to Congress regarding the resettlement, transportation, and relocation of aliens in the United States.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. HAGERTY (for himself and Mrs. BLACKBURN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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 “Migrant Resettlement
5 Transparency Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. ADVANCE CONSULTATION WITH STATE AND LOCAL**
2 **OFFICIALS AND MONTHLY REPORTS TO CON-**
3 **GRESS REGARDING THE RESETTLEMENT,**
4 **TRANSPORTATION, AND RELOCATION OF**
5 **ALIENS IN THE UNITED STATES.**

6 (a) CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT.—Not later than
7 3 business days before any resettlement, transportation,
8 or relocation of non-detained aliens in the United States
9 that is directed, administered, or funded by the Federal
10 Government, the Secretary of Health and Human Services
11 (in the case of minors) or the Secretary of Homeland Se-
12 curity (in the case of adults), as appropriate, shall consult
13 with the governors and municipal chief executives of the
14 directly affected States and local jurisdictions regarding
15 the proposed resettlement, transportation, or relocation.

16 (b) REPORTS REQUIRED.—Not later than 7 days
17 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and monthly
18 thereafter, the Secretary of Health and Human Services
19 and the Secretary of Homeland Security, in consultation
20 with other appropriate Federal officials, shall—

21 (1) submit a State-specific report regarding the
22 resettlement, transportation, or relocation of non-de-
23 tained aliens in the United States during the pre-
24 vious month that was directed, administered, or
25 funded by the Federal Government or that involved
26 aliens subject to the U.S. Immigration and Customs

1 Enforcement's Alternatives to Detention program
2 that contains the information described in subsection
3 (c) to—

4 (A) the Committee on the Judiciary of the
5 Senate;

6 (B) the Committee on Appropriations of
7 the Senate;

8 (C) the Committee on the Judiciary of the
9 House of Representatives;

10 (D) the Committee on Appropriations of
11 the House of Representatives; and

12 (E) the governor of each of the affected
13 States; and

14 (2) make the report described in paragraph (1)
15 available on a publicly accessible website.

16 (c) CONTENTS.—Each report under subsection (b)
17 shall contain, with respect to each State—

18 (1) the number of aliens resettled, transported,
19 or relocated during the previous month and the cur-
20 rent calendar year, disaggregated by—

21 (A) the numbers of single adults, members
22 of family units, and minors;

23 (B) age;

24 (C) sex; and

25 (D) country of origin;

1 (2) the methods used to determine the ages of
2 such aliens;

3 (3) the methods used to verify the familial sta-
4 tus of such aliens;

5 (4) the types of settings in which such aliens
6 are being resettled, transported, or relocated, which
7 may be aggregated by the general type of setting;

8 (5) a summary of the educational or occupa-
9 tional resources or assistance provided to such
10 aliens;

11 (6) whether such aliens are granted permits to
12 work and how any such aliens without a work permit
13 will financially support themselves;

14 (7) the amounts and types of Federal resources
15 spent on alien resettlement, transportation, or relo-
16 cation; and

17 (8) whether the aliens are being resettled,
18 transported, or relocated on a temporary or perma-
19 nent basis, disaggregated by—

20 (A) the numbers of single adults, members
21 of family units, and minors;

22 (B) age;

23 (C) sex; and

24 (D) country of origin.

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