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H. R. 4765

To reprogram all remaining unobligated funds from the IRS enforcement account.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. MOORE of North Carolina (for himself, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. CRENSHAW, and Mr. CARTER of Georgia) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Homeland Security, and the Judiciary, 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

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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 “Securing our Border
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

7 Congress finds the following:

1 (1) United States border security is paramount
2 to the general welfare of our Nation and ensures the
3 efficient and meaningful flow of goods and individ-
4 uals through legal means.

5 (2) During 2023, an estimated 105,007 drug
6 overdose deaths occurred in the United States.

7 (3) Only 2 percent of passenger vehicles and 20
8 percent of commercial vehicles crossing the southern
9 border are scanned by nonintrusive inspection tech-
10 nology through a radiation portal monitor.

11 (4) During fiscal year 2023, U.S. Customs and
12 Border Protection agents processed more than
13 1,081,030 passengers and pedestrians.

14 (5) Limiting the amount of deadly illicit nar-
15 cotics, including fentanyl, from entering the United
16 States would reduce the number of Americans who
17 die annually from the use of such narcotics.

18 (6) Because of the failure to update nonintru-
19 sive inspection technologies at land ports of entry
20 along the southern border of the United States,
21 there has been an increase in the amount of illicit
22 narcotics, such as fentanyl, being trafficked across
23 the southern border.

1 (7) The amount of illicit drugs seized by U.S.
2 Customs and Border Protection along the southwest
3 border was approximately—

4 (A) 241,000 pounds during fiscal year
5 2023; and

6 (B) 275,000 pounds during fiscal year
7 2024.

8 (8) U.S. Customs and Border Protection agents
9 had 2,135,005 encounters along the southern border
10 during fiscal year 2024, including—

11 (A) 1,218,880 single adults;

12 (B) 804,456 family units; and

13 (C) 109,998 unaccompanied minors.

14 (9) According to the Department of Homeland
15 Security, 750 migrants died attempting to cross the
16 southern border during fiscal year 2022, which is—

17 (A) more migrant deaths than occurred in
18 any previous fiscal year; and

19 (B) more than 200 more migrant deaths
20 than the number of such deaths during fiscal
21 year 2021.

22 (10) As of September 30, 2024, the immigra-
23 tion court backlog was 3,558,995 cases.

24 (11) Since the end of fiscal year 2019, U.S.
25 Customs and Border Protection has reported 2,371

1 encounters with potential terrorists at ports of entry
2 along the southern and northern borders.

3 (12) According to U.S. Customs and Border
4 Protection onboard staffing data, approximately
5 2,700 additional U.S. Customs and Border Protec-
6 tion officers need to be stationed at United States
7 ports of entry to fully staff such ports.

8 (13) Due to shifting priorities, construction
9 delays, a lack of available technology solutions, and
10 funding constraints, most southern U.S. Border Pa-
11 trol sectors still rely on obsolete systems or tech-
12 nologies.

13 **SEC. 3. FUNDING FOR NONINTRUSIVE BORDER INSPEC-**
14 **TIONS.**

15 One-third of the unobligated balances (as of the date
16 of the enactment of this Act) from amounts made avail-
17 able under section 10301(1)(A)(ii) of Public Law 117–169
18 shall be transferred to U.S. Customs and Border Protec-
19 tion during the period beginning on the date of the enact-
20 ment of this Act and ending on February 6, 2034, for
21 nonintrusive inspection systems to achieve a 100 percent
22 nonintrusive inspection scanning rate at all northern bor-
23 der and southwest border land ports of entry by February
24 6, 2034.

1 **SEC. 4. FUNDING FOR BORDER WALL CONSTRUCTION.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Two-thirds of the unobligated bal-
3 ances (as of the date of the enactment of this Act) from
4 amounts made available under section 10301(1)(A)(ii) of
5 Public Law 117–169 shall be transferred to the Depart-
6 ment of Homeland Security during the period beginning
7 on the date of the enactment of this Act and ending on
8 February 6, 2034, for activities related to the construction
9 of a border wall system along the southwest international
10 border of the United States.

11 (b) QUARTERLY REPORTS.—The Secretary of Home-
12 land Security shall submit quarterly reports to the Com-
13 mittee on Appropriations of the Senate, the Committee on
14 Finance of the Senate, the Committee on Homeland Secu-
15 rity and Governmental Affairs of the Senate, the Com-
16 mittee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives,
17 the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Rep-
18 resentatives, and the Committee on Homeland Security of
19 the House of Representatives that contains—

20 (1) an implementation plan with benchmarks
21 related to stemming illegal immigration; and

22 (2) cost estimates associated with border wall
23 system construction.

1 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE BONUSES TO U.S.**
2 **CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION**
3 **AGENTS.**

4 (a) RECRUITMENT BONUSES.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the approval of
6 the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Commis-
7 sioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection may
8 pay a recruitment bonus, not to exceed \$15,000, to
9 each newly hired U.S. Customs and Border Protec-
10 tion agent after—

11 (A) the agent completes initial basic train-
12 ing; and

13 (B) the execution of a written agreement
14 described in paragraph (2).

15 (2) WRITTEN AGREEMENT.—A written agree-
16 ment described in this paragraph is a legally binding
17 agreement between a newly hired agent and U.S.
18 Customs and Border Protection that—

19 (A) specifies the amount of the bonus pay-
20 ment to be paid to such agent, including the
21 timing of such payment;

22 (B) the length of the period of service re-
23 quired to be completed before such agent is en-
24 titled to retain such payment; and

25 (C) any other terms and conditions to
26 which such payment is subject.

1 (b) RETENTION BONUSES.—Subject to the approval
2 of the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Commissioner
3 of U.S. Customs and Border Protection may pay annual
4 retention bonuses, not to exceed 15 percent of the agent’s
5 basic pay, to U.S. Border Patrol agents after the comple-
6 tion of each year of satisfactory service, as determined by
7 the Commissioner.

8 (c) RELOCATION BONUS.—Subject to the approval of
9 the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Commissioner of
10 U.S. Customs and Border Protection may pay a relocation
11 bonus, not to exceed 15 percent of the agent’s annual
12 basic pay, to a U.S. Customs and Border Protection agent
13 who agrees to be transferred and to serve for not less than
14 3 years at the new duty station.

15 (d) LIMITATION.—None of the bonuses paid to a U.S.
16 Customs and Border Protection agent pursuant to sub-
17 sections (a) through (c) may be considered part of the
18 basic pay of such agent for any purpose, including for re-
19 tirement or in computing a lump-sum payment to the
20 agent for accumulated and accrued annual leave under
21 section 5551 or 5552 of title 5, United States Code.

22 **SEC. 6. TREATMENT OF ALIENS ARRIVING FROM CONTIG-**
23 **UOUS TERRITORY.**

24 Section 235(b)(2)(C) of the Immigration and Nation-
25 ality Act (8 U.S.C. 1225(b)(2)(C)) is amended by striking

1 “may return” and all that follows and inserting the fol-
2 lowing: “shall—

3 “(i) return the alien to such territory,
4 or to a safe third country (as described in
5 section 208), pending the completion of a
6 proceeding under section 240; or

7 “(ii) detain the alien for further con-
8 sideration of an application for asylum,
9 which shall include a determination of
10 credible fear of persecution.”.

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