

114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4030

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that refugees may not be resettled in any State where the governor of that State has taken any action formally disapproving of the resettlement of refugees in that State, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 17, 2015

Mr. PALAZZO 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. LIMITATION ON RESETTLEMENT OF REFU-**
4 **GEES.**

5 Section 412 of the Immigration and Nationality Act
6 (8 U.S.C. 1522) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
7 lowing:

1 “(g) LIMITATION ON RESETTLEMENT.—

2 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other
3 provision of this section, the Director or the Federal
4 agency administering subsection (b)(1) may not pro-
5 vide for the resettlement of any refugee in a fiscal
6 year in any State where the Governor of that State
7 has taken any action formally disapproving of the
8 resettlement of refugees, or of certain refugees, in
9 that State during that fiscal year.

10 “(2) RECEIPT OF FUNDS.—A State where the
11 Governor of the State has taken action described in
12 paragraph (1)—

13 “(A) in the case of such an action which
14 disapproves of the resettlement of any refugee
15 in that State, may not receive any funds under
16 this section during that fiscal year; or

17 “(B) in the case of such an action which
18 disapproves of the resettlement of only certain
19 refugees in that State, shall receive a reduction
20 in any funds which the State would otherwise
21 receive under this section, as determined to be
22 proportionate to the number of refugees not re-
23 settled pursuant to such action by the Director

1 or the Federal agency administering subsection
2 (b)(1), as appropriate.”.

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