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# H. R. 9731

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 20, 2024

Ms. GREENE of Georgia (for herself, Mr. BRECHEEN, Mr. TONY GONZALES of Texas, and Mr. CRANE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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## 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 “Special Interest Alien  
5 Reporting Act of 2024”.

1 **SEC. 2. PUBLICATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND**  
2 **SECURITY OF THE NUMBER OF SPECIAL IN-**  
3 **TEREST ALIENS ENCOUNTERED ATTEMPTING**  
4 **TO UNLAWFULLY ENTER THE UNITED**  
5 **STATES.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than the seventh day of  
7 each month, the Secretary of Homeland Security shall  
8 publish on a publicly available webpage of the Department  
9 of Homeland Security and submit to the Committee on  
10 Homeland Security of the House of Representatives and  
11 the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental  
12 Affairs of the Senate a report on the total number, and  
13 an identification of the nationalities or countries of last  
14 habitual residence, of special interest aliens encountered  
15 by the Department attempting to unlawfully enter the  
16 United States during the immediately preceding month.  
17 Each such report shall also include the following:

18 (1) Such number disaggregated by geographic  
19 regions of such encounters.

20 (2) Specifications relating to whether such en-  
21 counters were made at land, air, or sea ports of  
22 entry, between ports of entry, or in the interior of  
23 the United States.

24 (3) Identification of any such nationalities or  
25 countries of last habitual residence that are covered  
26 nations.

1 (b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

2 (1) ALIEN.—The term “alien” has the meaning  
3 given such term in section 101 of the Immigration  
4 and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101).

5 (2) COVERED NATION.—The term “covered na-  
6 tion” has the meaning given such term in section  
7 4872(d)(2) of title 10, United States Code.

8 (3) SPECIAL INTEREST ALIEN.—The term “spe-  
9 cial interest alien” means an alien who, based on an  
10 analysis of travel patterns, potentially poses a na-  
11 tional security risk to the United States or its inter-  
12 ests.

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