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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Palazzo introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on ____________________

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,
SECTION 1. LIMITATION ON RESETTLEMENT OF REFUGEES.

Section 412 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1522) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(g) LIMITATION ON RESETTLEMENT.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Director or the Federal agency administering subsection (b)(1) may not provide for the resettlement of any refugee in a fiscal year in any State where the Governor of that State has taken any action formally disapproving of the resettlement of refugees, or of certain refugees, in that State during that fiscal year.

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

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

“(B) in the case of such an action which disapproves of the resettlement of only certain refugees in that State, shall receive a reduction in any funds which the State would otherwise receive under this section, as determined to be
proportionate to the number of refugees not resettled pursuant to such action by the Director or the Federal agency administering subsection (b)(1), as appropriate.”.