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To direct the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to relocate certain offices of the Small Business Administration in sanctuary jurisdictions, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. FINSTAD introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Small Business

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 “Save SBA from Sanc-
5 tuary Cities Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. RELOCATION OF CERTAIN OFFICES IN SANCTUARY**
2 **JURISDICTIONS.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall relocate
4 each covered office located in a sanctuary jurisdiction in
5 accordance with this section.

6 (b) DETERMINATION REQUIRED.—Subsection (a)
7 shall apply with respect to a covered office only if, prior
8 to ordering the relocation of such covered office under
9 such subsection, the Administrator makes a determination
10 that such covered office is located in a sanctuary jurisdic-
11 tion and makes such determination publicly available.

12 (c) RELOCATION REQUIREMENT.—When relocating a
13 covered office under this section, the Administrator shall
14 relocate such covered office to a location that—

15 (1) is not in a sanctuary jurisdiction; and

16 (2) if the State in which such covered office is
17 located prior to such relocation is not a sanctuary
18 jurisdiction, is in such State.

19 (d) SUSPENSION OF OPERATIONS.—During the pe-
20 riod the Administrator is relocating a covered office under
21 this section that is located in a State that is a sanctuary
22 jurisdiction, such covered office shall cease the operations
23 of such office in such State.

24 (e) RELOCATION DEADLINE.—

25 (1) DEADLINE.—Not later 60 days after the
26 Administrator makes publicly available a determina-

tion under subsection (b) with respect to a covered office, the Administrator shall relocate such covered office in accordance with subsection (c).

(2) NONCOMPLIANCE.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—If a covered office described in paragraph (1) is not relocated in accordance with subsection (c) prior to the expiration of the 60-day period applicable to such relocation under such paragraph—

(i) not later 5 days after the expiration of such 60-day period, the head of such covered office shall submit to the Administrator a written explanation of why such covered office was not relocated prior to expiration of such 60-day period; and

(ii) during the period beginning on the day after expiration of such 60-day period and ending on the date on which such covered office is relocated to a location that is not in a sanctuary jurisdiction—

(I) such covered office shall cease operations; and

(II) each employee of the Administration whose duty station was at such covered office shall be assigned

1 to a duty station at another covered
2 office that is located in the same
3 State and not in a sanctuary jurisdic-
4 tion or, if no other covered office is lo-
5 cated in the same State and not in a
6 sanctuary jurisdiction, any other cov-
7 ered office that is not located in a
8 sanctuary jurisdiction.

9 (B) REMOVAL.—The Administrator shall
10 immediately remove the head of a covered office
11 required to submit a written explanation under
12 subparagraph (A)(i) if—

13 (i) such head does not submit such a
14 written explanation in accordance with
15 such subparagraph; or

16 (ii) the Administrator determines that
17 the reasons provided in the written expla-
18 nation submitted by such head under such
19 subparagraph for the relocation of such
20 covered office not being completed prior to
21 the expiration of the 60-day period de-
22 scribed in paragraph (1) with respect to
23 such covered office are insufficient.

1 (f) NEW OFFICE LIMITATION.—The Administrator
2 may not establish a covered office in sanctuary jurisdic-
3 tion.

4 (g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

5 (1) ADMINISTRATION.—The term “Administra-
6 tion” means the Small Business Administration.

7 (2) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term “Adminis-
8 trator” means the Administrator of the Administra-
9 tion.

10 (3) COVERED OFFICE.—The term “covered of-
11 fice” means a regional, district, or local office the
12 Administration, other than the headquarters of the
13 Administration, or any other component of the Ad-
14 ministration fully funded by funds appropriated by
15 Congress.

16 (4) SANCTUARY JURISDICTION.—

17 (A) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided by
18 subparagraph (B), the term “sanctuary juris-
19 diction” means any State or political subdivi-
20 sion of a State that has in effect a statute, ordi-
21 nance, policy, or practice that prohibits or re-
22 stricts any government entity or official from—

23 (i) sending, receiving, maintaining, or
24 exchanging with any Federal, State, or
25 local government entity information re-

1 garding the citizenship or immigration sta-
2 tus (lawful or unlawful) of any individual;
3 or

4 (ii) complying with a request lawfully
5 made by the Department of Homeland Se-
6 curity under section 236 or 287 of the Im-
7 migration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
8 1226 and 1357) to comply with a detainer
9 for, or notify about the release of, an indi-
10 vidual.

11 (B) EXCEPTION.—A State or political sub-
12 division of a State shall not be deemed a sanc-
13 tuary jurisdiction based solely on its having a
14 policy whereby its officials will not share infor-
15 mation regarding, or comply with a request
16 made by the Department of Homeland Security
17 under section 236 or 287 of the Immigration
18 and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1226 and 1357)
19 to comply with a detainer regarding, an indi-
20 vidual who comes forward as a victim or a wit-
21 ness to a criminal offense.

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