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To amend titles 23 and 49, United States Code, with respect to the issuance of commercial driver’s licenses to certain unauthorized individuals, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. VAN DREW introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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 “No CDLs for Illegals
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. COMMERCIAL DRIVER’S LICENSE REQUIREMENTS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 31308 of title 49, United
8 States Code, is amended—

9 (1) in paragraph (1)—

1 (A) in subparagraph (A) by striking “and”
2 at the end; and

3 (B) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(C) present valid documentation proving
5 citizenship status, lawful permanent resident
6 status, or a valid work authorization; and

7 “(D) present valid documentation of domi-
8 cile in the State in which the commercial driv-
9 er’s license is issued;” and

10 (2) in paragraph (3) by striking “and” at the
11 end;

12 (3) in paragraph (4)(E) by striking the period
13 and inserting a semicolon; and

14 (4) by adding at the end the following:

15 “(5) prohibit a State from issuing a commercial
16 driver’s license to an individual who is not domiciled
17 in such State; and

18 “(6) require States to use the SAVE system for
19 any non-citizen applicant for a commercial driver’s
20 license and deny any applicant if the SAVE system
21 does not confirm lawful presence of such applicant.”.

22 (b) PENALTIES.—

23 (1) IN GENERAL.—Chapter 1 of title 23, United
24 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the
25 following:

1 **“§ 155. Suspension of funds for licensing unauthor-**
2 **ized commercial drivers**

3 “(a) **SUSPENSION.**—Notwithstanding any other pro-
4 vision of law, the Secretary of Transportation shall sus-
5 pend a State’s apportionment of funds under section
6 104(b) if the Secretary determines that the State has
7 issued commercial driver’s licenses in contravention of sec-
8 tion 31308(6) of title 49.

9 “(b) **DETERMINATION.**—

10 “(1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary of Transpor-
11 tation shall, on an annual basis, review the commer-
12 cial driver’s licensing policies and practices of each
13 State to determine compliance with this section.

14 “(2) **INFORMATION.**—The Secretary may re-
15 quest any information necessary from a State to
16 make such a determination.

17 “(c) **REINSTATEMENT.**—Funds suspended under
18 subsection (a) shall be reinstated to a State when the Sec-
19 retary certifies that the State has taken all necessary
20 measures to comply with section 31308(6) of title 49.

21 “(d) **APPLICABILITY.**—This section shall apply to any
22 State that receives funds under section 104(b).”.

23 (2) **CLERICAL AMENDMENT.**—The analysis for
24 chapter 1 of title 23, United States Code, is amend-

1 ed by inserting after the item relating to section 154
2 the following:

“155. Suspension of funds for licensing unauthorized commercial drivers.”.

3 (3) RULEMAKING.—The Secretary of Transpor-
4 tation shall issue such regulations as are necessary
5 to set fines for trucking companies that knowingly
6 employ drivers that do not hold a valid commercial
7 driver’s license that complies with section 31308 of
8 title 49, United States Code.

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