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S. 1856

To prohibit Federal funding for lawsuits seeking to invalidate specified State laws that support the enforcement of Federal immigration laws.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

NOVEMBER 10, 2011

Mr. DEMINT (for himself, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. VITTER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and 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. FEDERAL FUNDING FOR LAWSUITS SEEKING**
4 **TO INVALIDATE STATE IMMIGRATION LAWS.**

5 Federal funds may not be used by any agency or in-
6 strumentality of the Federal Government to participate in
7 any lawsuit that seeks to overturn, enjoin, or in any other
8 way invalidate—

1 (1) Oklahoma Taxpayer and Citizen Protection
2 Act of 2007 (HB 1804), which became effective on
3 November 1, 2007;

4 (2) Missouri House Bill 390, First Regular Ses-
5 sion 2009, 9th General Assembly, which became ef-
6 fective on August 28, 2009;

7 (3) the Support Our Law Enforcement and
8 Safe Neighborhoods Act (SB 1070), which was
9 signed into law in Arizona on April 23, 2010;

10 (4) The Illegal Immigration Enforcement Act
11 (HB 497), which was signed into law in Utah on
12 March 15, 2011;

13 (5) Indiana Senate Enrolled Act No. 590, First
14 Regular Session, 117th General Assembly (2011),
15 which was signed into law on May 10, 2011;

16 (6) the Beason-Hammon Alabama Taxpayer
17 and Citizen Protection Act (HB 56), which was
18 passed by the Alabama State legislature on June 9,
19 2011;

20 (7) South Carolina Act No. 69 (SB 20), which
21 was signed into law on June 27, 2011;

22 (8) the Illegal Immigration Reform and En-
23 forcement Act of 2011 (HB 87), which became ef-
24 fective in the State of Georgia on July 1, 2011; or

1 (9) an Act to amend the Indiana Code con-
2 cerning education (HB 1402), which became effec-
3 tive in the State of Indiana on July 1, 2011.

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