

Calendar No. 233

117TH CONGRESS
2^D SESSION**S. 3453**

To prohibit the payment of certain legal settlements to individuals who unlawfully entered the United States.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 10, 2022

Mr. TILLIS (for himself, Mr. COTTON, and Mr. CORNYN) introduced the following bill; which was read the first time

JANUARY 18, 2022

Read the second time and placed on the calendar

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 “Protect American Tax-
5 payer Dollars from Illegal Immigration Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. LIMITATION ON LEGAL SETTLEMENTS FOR INDI-**
2 **VIDUALS WHO UNLAWFULLY ENTERED THE**
3 **UNITED STATES.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provi-
5 sion of law, no Federal funds, including amounts deposited
6 into the Judgment Fund established under section 1304
7 of title 31, United States Code, may be expended for any
8 legal settlement to any individual who violated section
9 275(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
10 1325(a)) if the claims giving rise to such settlement are
11 based on the lawful detention of such individual as part
12 of a family unit after entry at a port of entry or between
13 ports of entry along the southern border of the United
14 States after January 20, 2017.

15 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall take effect
16 on the date that is 1 day after the date of the enactment
17 of this Act.

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