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**10k Run for the Border Act (Introduced in House)**

HR 588 IH

111th CONGRESS

1st Session

**H. R. 588**

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to increase penalties for employing illegal aliens.

**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES****January 15, 2009**

Mrs. MYRICK introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

**A BILL**

To amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to increase penalties for employing illegal aliens.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,***SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

This Act may be cited as the `10k Run for the Border Act'.

**SEC. 2. INCREASE IN PENALTIES FOR EMPLOYING ILLEGAL ALIENS.**

(a) In General- Section 274A(e)(4)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1324a(e)(4)(A)) is amended--

(1) in clause (i), by striking ` \$250 and not more than \$2,000' and inserting ` \$10,000 and not more than \$80,000';

(2) in clause (ii), by striking ` \$2,000 and not more than \$5,000' and inserting ` \$80,000 and not more than \$200,000'; and

(3) in clause (iii), by striking ` \$3,000 and not more than \$10,000' and inserting ` \$120,000 and not more than \$1,600,000'.

(b) Use of Additional Penalty Funds- Notwithstanding any other provision of law, of the additional amounts of fines paid under section 274A(e)(4)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1324a(e)(4)(A)) by one or more employers and that are attributable to the amendments made by subsection (a)--

(1) if State or local law enforcement officials have provided material assistance in the investigation or prosecution of cases of such employers that resulted in such fines--

(A) 80 percent shall be paid, in a manner specified by the Secretary of Homeland Security, to the State or local State law enforcement agencies which employed such individuals; and

(B) 20 percent shall be used by the Secretary to cover costs of detention of illegal aliens; and

(2) if paragraph (1) does not apply--

(A) 80 percent shall be paid to States (and political subdivisions of States) under the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program under section 241(i) of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1251(i)) for purposes of reimbursing those States and political subdivisions for costs of incarceration of undocumented criminal aliens; and

(B) 20 percent shall be used by the Secretary to cover costs of detention of illegal aliens in Federal facilities.

(c) Effective Date- The amendments made by subsection (a) shall apply to violations occurring on or after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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