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## **STRENGTHEN AND FORTIFY ENFORCEMENT (SAFE) ACT (H.R. 2278)**

### **FACT SHEET**

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#### **IMMIGRATION LAW ENFORCEMENT BY STATES AND LOCALITIES**

- DHS required to supply information to NCIC on aliens with a removal order, voluntary departure agreement, revoked visa, or who have overstayed their visa
- States and localities required to submit biographical information on apprehended aliens
  - DHS to reimburse cost of implementation
- Creates grant program for procurement of equipment, technology, facilities, and other products related to immigration law enforcement
- Requires Federal government to take custody of inadmissible or deportable aliens within 48 hours of receiving retainer request
  - DHS to reimburse for all reasonable expenses related to incarceration and transportation of inadmissible or deportable alien
- Authorizes detention of up to 14 days of inadmissible or deportable alien after completion of State or local jail sentence
- Expands SCAAP to include aliens “charged with,” not just “convicted of”

#### **NATIONAL SECURITY**

- Establishes “terrorist bar” and allows for removal of terrorist aliens

#### **REMOVAL OF CRIMINAL ALIENS**

- Expands definition of aggravated felony to include manslaughter, homicide, and rape (whether the victim was conscious or unconscious)
- Precludes admissibility of aliens convicted of aggravated felonies or other serious offenses
- “Criminal gang” defined as an ongoing group, club, organization, or association of 5 or more persons that has as one of its primary purposes the commission of one or more of enumerated offenses and members of which engage, or have engaged in within the past 5 years, a series of enumerated offenses (*comprehensive list of offenses may be found on page 83 of the bill*)

#### **VISA SECURITY**

- Information sharing between DHS and Department of State

#### **AID TO U.S. IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**

- Requires DHS to equip all ICE officers and agents with reliable and effective weapons
- Establishes pilot program for electronic field processing

#### **MISCELLANEOUS ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS**

- Encouraging aliens to depart voluntarily