117TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. DAINES (for himself, Mr. BURR, Mr. LANKFORD, Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. TUBERVILLE, Mr. COTTON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. LEE, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. CASSIDY, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. ERNST, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. WICKER) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on ______

A BILL

To prohibit cash settlements resulting from the lawful application of the zero tolerance policy.

- 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 "Prohibiting Taxpayer
- 5 Funded Settlements for Illegal Immigrants Act".

SEC. 2. PROHIBITION OF CASH SETTLEMENTS RESULTING
FROM THE LAWFUL APPLICATION OF THE
ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY FOR VIOLATIONS
OF SECTION 275(A) OF THE IMMIGRATION
AND NATIONALITY ACT.

6 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no Fed-7 eral funds may be used for settlement payments to individ-8 uals who, as a result of their violation of section 275(a)9 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 10 1325(a)), and in accordance with the policy described in the memorandum of the Attorney General regarding 11 12 "Zero-Tolerance for Offenses Under 8 U.S.C. § 1325(a)", issued on April 6, 2018, were detained by U.S. Customs 13 14 and Border Protection if such payments are intended to compensate such individuals for being separated from 15 16 family members during such detention.