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109TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

**H. RES.** \_\_\_\_\_

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that State and local governments should be supported for taking actions to discourage illegal immigration and that legislation should be enacted to ease the burden on State and local governments for taking such actions.

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**IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Mr. POE submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on \_\_\_\_\_

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**RESOLUTION**

Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that State and local governments should be supported for taking actions to discourage illegal immigration and that legislation should be enacted to ease the burden on State and local governments for taking such actions.

Whereas the Federal Government has failed to take adequate measures to curb illegal immigration;

Whereas the failure by the Federal Government to curb illegal immigration has placed, and continues to place, a

substantial burden on State and local government agencies to address illegal immigration;

Whereas many State and local government agencies have worked actively to discourage illegal immigration and to assist in the enforcement of our Nation's immigration laws;

Whereas such actions and assistance have come at great expense to State and local governments;

Whereas numerous State legislatures, such as those in Arizona, Colorado, Georgia, Mississippi, and Virginia, have introduced legislation to enhance the ability of State and local agencies to discourage illegal immigration and to ease the burden placed on the States;

Whereas numerous local governments, such as those in Hazelton, Pennsylvania, Palm Bay County, Florida, Riverside, New Jersey, Riverside, California, and Suffolk County, New York, have introduced ordinances to enhance the ability of local governments to discourage illegal immigration and to ease the burden placed on local governments; and

Whereas State and local governments continue to be confronted with the issue of illegal immigration without the prospect of immediate relief from the Federal Government: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That it is the sense of the House of Rep-  
2       resentatives that—

3               (1) State and local government agencies should  
4       be supported for taking actions to discourage illegal  
5       immigration; and

1           (2) the United States Congress should quickly  
2           pass comprehensive border security and enforcement  
3           legislation in order to ease the burden on State and  
4           local government agencies.