



ISSUE BRIEF

HB 1107

HB1107 An Act Relative to Sanctuary Cities and Towns was filed by Rep. Marc Lombardo. This legislation seeks to withhold unrestricted state aid to municipalities that self-designate themselves as sanctuary cities. Municipalities that have passed so called "Trust Acts" prohibit local law enforcement from cooperating with federal immigration officials when a suspected criminal has questionable legal status. This lack of cooperation endangers the safety and well-being of the law abiding citizens of these and surrounding communities.

The taxpayers of the Commonwealth should not be forced to provide funds to cities blatantly ignoring federal law and choosing to protect criminal illegal aliens. Local aid to municipalities has been

consistently jeopardized due to funding shortfalls. With resources limited, we should be prioritizing spending state funds on citizens of Massachusetts and not those here illegally. Passage of HB 1107 will ensure that the unrestricted state aid is only received by municipalities that adhere to federal immigration law and don't provide sanctuary to deportable criminals.

Removing these funds will provide a strong incentive for municipalities to end the practice of protecting criminal illegal aliens at the expense of the law abiding citizens of our communities. Our tax dollars should never be used to harbor dangerous criminals. We urge the passage of HB 1107 in this current legislative session.

QUICK FACTS

1. This bill would only impact communities that have affirmatively decided to ignore immigration status, and reject federal partnerships that help apprehend criminals.
2. This proposed legislation does not end funding for education or infrastructure improvements, it simply withholds "unrestricted government aid" which is used for general operating costs.
3. Support this legislation by signing the petition at:

NoSanctuaryMass.com



Did You Know:

- Current sanctuary municipalities in MA include Cambridge, Amherst, Somerville, Holyoke, Orleans, Newton, and Northampton.
- The Border Patrol stopped more than 15,000 illegal immigrants traveling on the southwest border in November — a massive increase in migration that has since declined.
- Over \$118 Million is spent each year by the state of MA for health care costs for illegal immigrants.

VOTE YES ON HB 1107