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To prohibit U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents conducting immigration enforcement operations from wearing facial coverings, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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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 “No Anonymity in Im-
5 migration Enforcement Act of 2025”.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT REGARDING IDENTIFICATION OF**
2 **U.S. IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCE-**
3 **MENT AGENTS.**

4 Except as provided in section 3, an agent conducting
5 an enforcement operation in the United States—

6 (1) may not wear a facial covering; and

7 (2) shall wear a garment clearly identifying the
8 name of the agent and their affiliation with U.S. Im-
9 migration and Customs Enforcement.

10 **SEC. 3. EXCEPTIONS.**

11 (a) EXEMPTION.—Section 2 shall not apply to an
12 agent who is responding to an imminent threat to life or
13 serious bodily harm or is required to wear protective gear
14 for safety or medical purposes.

15 (b) REVIEW.—Not later than 48 hours after an agent
16 uses an exemption under subsection (a), the agent's super-
17 visor shall document and review the use of such exemption
18 to determine whether it was appropriate, and if the super-
19 visor determines that such use was inappropriate, initiate
20 disciplinary review in accordance with the procedures
21 under section 4(a).

22 **SEC. 4. COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT.**

23 (a) PROCEDURES.—The Secretary of Homeland Se-
24 curity shall establish procedures to ensure compliance with
25 this Act, which shall include the following:

1 (1) Procedures to ensure that any agent who
2 violates this Act shall be subject to disciplinary re-
3 view and possible sanctions.

4 (2) Procedures for the acceptance and review of
5 complaints alleging violations of this Act by the Of-
6 fice for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties of the De-
7 partment of Homeland Security.

8 (b) REPORT.—On an annual basis, the Secretary
9 shall submit to Congress a report on—

10 (1) any disciplinary actions imposed under sub-
11 section (a)(1) during the previous year; and

12 (2) any complaints received under subsection
13 (a)(2) during the previous year, including a descrip-
14 tion of the review of each such complaint, and any
15 action taken as a result of such a complaint.

16 **SEC. 5. DEFINITIONS.**

17 In this Act:

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise pro-
19 vided, the terms in this Act have the meanings given
20 such terms in section 101 of the Immigration and
21 Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101).

22 (2) AGENT.—The term “agent” means any em-
23 ployee, officer, or contractor acting under the au-
24 thority of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforce-
25 ment.

1 (3) ENFORCEMENT OPERATION.—The term
2 “enforcement operation” mean any enforcement ac-
3 tivity under the immigration laws, including an ar-
4 rest, a detention, a questioning, a raid, or an inves-
5 tigation (whether on public or private property) car-
6 ried out by an agent.

7 (4) FACIAL COVERING.—The term “facial cov-
8 ering” means any mask, garment, helmet, or other
9 item that conceals or obscures the facial identity of
10 an individual, including a balaclava, a tactical mask,
11 or any face-shielding item.

12 (5) UNITED STATES.—The term “United
13 States” means each of the several States of the
14 United States, the District of Columbia, and terri-
15 tories and possessions of the United States.

16 **SEC. 6. SEVERABILITY.**

17 If any provision of this Act, or the application of such
18 provision to any person or circumstance, is held to be in-
19 valid, the remainder of the Act, and the application of the
20 remaining provisions, shall not be affected.

21 **SEC. 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

22 This Act shall take effect on the date that is 30 days
23 after the date of enactment of this Act.