

MUNICIPAL AND UNIVERSITY COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT MEASURES

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House Resolution 19 (H-1) as reported from committee

Sponsor: Rep. Matt Hall

Committee: Government Operations

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SUMMARY:

House Resolution 19 would amend Rule 52 of the standing rules of the House to provide that an appropriation bill or conference report cannot be brought for a vote if it contains a ***legislatively directed spending item*** whose intended recipient is a ***municipality*** or a ***university*** (including an official, department, or board of a municipality or university) that does either of the following:

- Actively maintains a rule, policy, ordinance, or resolution that would subvert immigration enforcement in any way.
- Refuses to comply with federal immigration enforcement measures.

Legislatively directed spending item would mean an appropriation that authorizes or obligates a specific amount of money for a contract or other expenditure with a grant, loan, or other economic assistance or incentive to a specific person, organization, unit of local government, or project or activity in a unit of local government, other than through a formula-driven or competitive award process.

Municipality would mean a county, city, village, township, or authority established under Michigan law.

University would mean a state university described in section 4, 5, or 6 of Article VIII of the state constitution or an independent college or university incorporated under sections 170 to 177 of 1931 PA 327.

House Resolution 19 would also provide that an appropriation bill or conference report cannot be brought for a vote if it contains a legislatively directed spending item whose intended recipient is a municipality or a university, unless the municipality or university has submitted both of the following to the House:

- The municipality's or university's rules, policies, ordinances, and resolutions related to federal immigration law and immigration enforcement measures, including any rules, policies, ordinances, or resolutions regarding U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), ICE detainer requests, and the municipality's or university's intent to work with federal authorities or to actively harbor or shield illegal aliens from federal enforcement authorities or operations.
- An official letter from the municipality or university, signed as described below, that certifies the following:
 - That the municipality's or university's rules, policies, ordinances, and resolutions do not include language that requires, encourages, or supports

subverting immigration enforcement in any way or refusing to comply with federal immigration enforcement measures.

- That the municipality or university will comply with federal immigration law.

The official letter described above would have to be signed by one of the following, as applicable:

- The municipality's chief executive officer or the university's president.
- The municipality's duly elected board or the university's governing board, board of directors, or board of trustees.
- An individual who is legally authorized to act on behalf of the municipality or the university.

In addition, Rule 52 currently prohibits bringing an appropriation bill or conference report for a vote that contains enhancement grants unless proper disclosure of the sponsor and intended recipient and a description of the enhancement grant has been made as established by the House by resolution.¹ House Resolution 19 would amend this provision to refer to *legislatively directed spending items* (defined as above) instead of *enhancement grants*.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The resolution would not have a direct fiscal impact on the state or local units of government.

POSITIONS:

Representatives of the following entities testified in opposition to the resolution (2-11-25):

- ACLU of Michigan
- Michigan League for Public Policy
- Michigan Immigrant Rights Center
- Immigration Law and Justice Michigan
- Anishinaabek Caucus
- MI Poder

The following entities indicated opposition to the resolution (2-11-25):

- Think Babies Michigan
- Hubris Collective
- National Association of Social Workers
- Kent County Essential Needs Task Force
- Rising Voices

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¹ See HR 14: <https://www.legislature.mi.gov/Bills/Bill?ObjectName=2025-HR-0014>