

Reps. Tlaib, Miller and Smith offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 291.

A resolution to urge Michigan businesses and public and private organizations to refrain from doing business with or in the state of Arizona as an expression of protest over recently enacted Senate Bill 1070, to urge repeal of Arizona's Senate Bill 1070, to call on the United States Department of Justice to vigorously investigate potential civil rights violations related to the implementation of the law, and to investigate the possibility and impacts of cutting the state of Michigan's economic ties with Arizona.

Whereas, Arizona's Governor Jan Brewer recently signed Senate Bill 1070 into law. This enactment requires law enforcement personnel to take actions to ascertain the immigration status of any person for whom there is a "reasonable suspicion" that the person may be in the country without status. The statute makes no detailed explanation for what may constitute a "reasonable suspicion"; and

Whereas, Reaction to the Arizona law has included serious concerns as to the constitutionality of a state determining policies that are clearly federal in nature, as well as deep fears that the law may, in practice, encourage racial profiling; and

Whereas, Many Arizona law enforcement professionals have expressed opposition to the measure. These professionals include the Arizona Association of Chiefs of Police, and the Coconino and Pima county sheriffs. This opposition stems from both concerns over racial profiling as well as the diversion of scarce police resources from priorities directly related to public safety. Additionally, the law opens police and local governments to lawsuits from individuals who do not believe it has been enforced aggressively enough. This takes law enforcement priorities out of the hands of public safety officials and opens governments to frivolous lawsuits; and

Whereas, The enactment of Senate Bill 1070 has sparked a national boycott of Arizona. This has led to the cancellation of at least thirty conventions, and according to estimates by the City of Phoenix, the loss of nearly \$100 million in economic activity; and

Whereas, Numerous cities have passed resolutions in opposition to Senate Bill 1070, including Cleveland, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Boston, Seattle, and Washington, DC. Cities such as Columbus, St. Paul, and Boulder have banned travel by city employees to Arizona; and

Whereas, The constitutionality of Senate Bill 1070 is currently being challenged in federal court by a coalition of civil rights and labor groups, including the American Civil Liberties Union, the Mexican-American Legal Defense and Education Fund, the National Immigration Law Center, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, National Day Laborer Organizing Network, the Asian Pacific American Legal Center, Service Employees International Union (SEIU), the Asian Chamber of Commerce of Arizona, and the Muslim American Society; and

Whereas, Senate Bill 1070 does nothing to fix our broken immigration system. Instead, this law preys on society's fears and stands in the way of the very reforms that are needed to bring fairness, effectiveness, and far-reaching results to immigration policies. Clearly, Congress and the President must act to reform the broken immigration system to solve the problem long-term; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we urge Michigan businesses and public and private organizations to refrain from doing business with or in the state of Arizona as an expression of protest against Senate Bill 1070; and be it further

Resolved, That we urge repeal of Arizona's Senate Bill 1070; and be it further

Resolved, That we call on the United States Department of Justice to vigorously investigate potential civil rights violations related to the implementation of the law; and be it further

Resolved, That the House of Representatives investigate the possibility and impacts of cutting the state of Michigan's economic ties with Arizona, including cutting state contracts with Arizona-based businesses in favor of Michigan-based businesses, banning official state travel to

Arizona, or divesting from any investments in Arizona-based companies or municipal bonds; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Governor of Arizona Jan Brewer, members of the Michigan congressional delegation, President Barack Obama, and Attorney General Eric Holder.