

AMENDMENT
OFFERED BY MS. ANSARI OF ARIZONA

Insert in the appropriate place in the bill the following:

1 SEC. _____. (a) In this section:

2 (1) The term “detention facility” means any fa-
3 cility where noncitizens are detained by the Sec-
4 retary of Homeland Security pursuant to the immi-
5 gration laws, including facilities under contract, op-
6 erated by or for DHS, or used for temporary deten-
7 tion exceeding 4 hours.

8 (2) Other terms have the meanings given under
9 section 101(a) of the Immigration and Nationality
10 Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)).

11 (b) Beginning not later than 1 year after the date
12 of enactment of this Act, each operator of a detention fa-
13 cility shall establish and maintain an Internet-accessible,
14 near-real-time reporting system documenting—

15 (1) each report, diagnosis, prescribed treat-
16 ment, and outcome of disease, injury, or health con-
17 cern (including medical, dental, and mental health)
18 for each detainee;

1 (2) mandatory training for all facility staff on
2 system operation; and

3 (3) no exemptions from these requirements.

4 (c) Not later than 6 months after the date of enact-
5 ment of this Act, the Secretary shall establish an anony-
6 mous, multilingual system (via secure digital kiosks or
7 toll-free hotlines in facilities) for detainees to report health
8 concerns. Any retaliation against a reporter (including
9 harassment, privilege denial, solitary confinement, or
10 added duties) shall trigger—

11 (1) investigation by the DHS Inspector General
12 or Office of the Immigration Detention Ombudsman
13 within 14 days;

14 (2) a detailed report to the complainant in a
15 comprehensible language; and

16 (3) potential public release if retaliation is con-
17 firmed.

18 (d) If the Inspector General or Ombudsman verifies
19 a third health-related complaint at a facility (after inves-
20 tigation under subsection (d)), the Secretary shall deter-
21 mine whether cause exists to terminate the operating
22 agreement or contract and, if so, publish that determina-
23 tion.

24 (e)(1) The DHS Inspector General shall annually
25 audit health conditions at each detention facility and re-

1 port to Congress, with specific review of gender-related
2 protections (menstrual care, pregnancy outcomes, trauma-
3 informed care).

4 (2) Each detention facility shall designate a full-time
5 health services liaison (with no other duties) to coordinate
6 health/wellness, compile data, and serve as the Inspector
7 General's point of contact.

8 (f) Beginning 15 months after enactment (and quar-
9 terly thereafter), the Secretary shall—

10 (1) publish on the DHS website; and

11 (2) submit to the House Committee on Home-
12 land Security and the Senate Committee on Home-
13 land Security and Governmental Affairs a report on
14 detainee health conditions and complaints at each
15 detention facility.

16 (g)(1) Covered individuals include Members of Con-
17 gress and their designated House/Senate staff.

18 (2) The Secretary may not limit entry for oversight
19 or make temporary modifications altering observations.

20 (3) No prior notice required for Members; staff re-
21 quests may require 24 hours' advance notice.

