Dear Freedom Writer - Feel free to print and/or share this sheet with other members of your Action Group. (Printing it out tends to simplify things.) Remember to personalize all *italicized text* in the scripts!

Action Name:	Urge your US Representative and US Senators to DEFEAT the "No Bailout for Sanctuary Cities Act" (HR 5717).
Background Information:	A vote on this bill is expected to come up in the US House of Representatives sometime in February. If the House passes it, it will go to the Senate.
Expiration Date:	When/if both houses have voted on it.
Who are you contacting?:	3 of your Elected Officials: Your 1 US Representative, and your 2 US Senators. You can do EITHER: 3 visits, 3 calls, 3 postcards, 3 letters, or 3 emails, or any combination thereof.
Action Steps:	 For general information on how to best contact your Elected Officials and why, read our INFO SHEET, How to Contact Your Elected Officials. If you prefer writing postcards to your elected officials, you can order postcards HERE and postcard stamps HERE. After you've chosen your preferred channel (i.e., visits, calls, postcards, letters or emails), gather the contact information you need for all 3 of your Elected Officials (1 US Rep, 2 US Senators) HERE. NOTE: We recommend adding this information to the "Contacts" on your phone or to your address book so you don't have to look it up each time. Use the scripts below as GUIDELINES for your communication with your elected officials. As always, we encourage you to rephrase these scripts into your own words (especially the italicized areas) and add examples of how this bill will affect you personally, if appropriate.
Short Script - For postcards and phone calls	Dear [Senator's/Representative's Name], I respectfully urge you to vote NO on the "No Bailout for Sanctuary Cities Act" (HR 5717) which is due to come up for a vote in the US House in February.

I am opposed to it because it would:

- 1. Infringe on the autonomy of state and local governments,
- 2. Redirect law enforcement resources away from catching violent criminals and toward hassling law abiding immigrants.
- 3. Deter immigrants from reporting crimes to police, thereby making us all less safe.

Please let me know how you intend to vote on this important bill.

Your Constituent,
[Your name, address]

Long Script -For letters and emails

Dear [Senator's/Representative's Name],

I respectfully urge you to vote NO on the "No Bailout for Sanctuary Cities Act" (HR 5717) which is due to come up for a vote in the US House in February.

I'm opposed to this bill for several reasons.

- 1. It infringes on the autonomy of state and local governments. Local jurisdictions need control over how they allocate resources in order to keep the peace. This bill would undermine the ability of cities and states to make decisions based on their own voters' priorities, public safety issues and community trust.
- 2. It would deteriorate our over all public safety by:
 - Straining Community-Police relations. Sanctuary policies are designed to foster cooperation between police and immigrant communities. Without them, immigrants would be reluctant to report crimes for fear of being detained or deported.
 - Diverting critical law enforcement resources and tax dollars away from actual criminals to individuals who may simply lack immigration documentation.
 Studies have shown that immigrant communities often have lower crime rates than others, and sanctuary policies allow the police to focus more effectively on individuals who pose genuine threats to safety.

Please let me know how you intend to vote on this important bill.

Thank you for all you do,

Sincerely,
Your Constituent,
[Your name, address]

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