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Measure, Appointment or Topic: SB149

I am writing in support of SB 149. Expanding the definition of who is eligible to receive state-funded case support that is typically reserved only for refugees, currently limited to those who meet the federal definition of refugee, which excludes parolees and asylum seekers, would mean a path to stability for hundreds of newcomer families living in our communities.

It would enable more organizations to receive funds to case manage, rehouse, and otherwise support these newcomer families as they begin down to path to becoming productive community members. Please vote FOR SB 149. Thank you!