

## Session 119 - (2011-2012)

### H 3613 General Bill, By Toole

**Summary:** Students whose first language is not English

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING SECTION 59-63-170 SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT STUDENTS IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF THIS STATE WHO DO NOT RECOGNIZE ENGLISH AS THEIR FIRST LANGUAGE MAY NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE ORDINARY COURSE OF STUDY APPROPRIATE FOR THEIR GRADE LEVEL UNTIL THEY HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED AN ESTABLISHED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY PROGRAM, TO REQUIRE THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH BY REGULATION AN ENGLISH PROFICIENCY PROGRAM DESIGNED TO INSTRUCT STUDENTS WHO DO NOT RECOGNIZE ENGLISH AS THEIR FIRST LANGUAGE IN THE BASICS OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE SO THAT THEY BECOME PROFICIENT IN THE LANGUAGE, AND TO REQUIRE THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF THIS STATE TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAM ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT BEGINNING WITH THE 2012-2013 SCHOOL YEAR.

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