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H 3703 General Bill, By Keegan, Bales, Barfield, Clemmons, Edge, Herbkersman, Leach, Neilson, Vaughn, Viers, Witherspoon and Young

Summary: English Education Act

A BILL TO AMEND THE CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, BY ADDING CHAPTER 38 TO TITLE 59 SO AS TO ESTABLISH THE ENGLISH EDUCATION ACT, TO DEFINE CERTAIN TERMS, TO PROVIDE HOW ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS ARE CLASSIFIED, TO PROVIDE THAT ENGLISH LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL NORMALLY MUST NOT EXCEED TWO SCHOOL YEARS, TO PROVIDE WHEN A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN MAY WAIVE THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION, TO PROVIDE THAT A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF A CHILD ENROLLED IN A PUBLIC SCHOOL HAS STANDING TO SUE FOR ENFORCEMENT OF THE ENGLISH EDUCATION ACT, TO PROVIDE FOR THE MONITORING OF THE STUDENTS LEARNING ENGLISH AND OTHER ACADEMIC SUBJECTS THROUGH STANDARDIZED TESTING, AND TO PROVIDE THAT A SCHOOL DISTRICT IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR MORE THAN TWO FISCAL YEARS OF STATE ENTITLEMENT MONIES FOR A STUDENT IN AN ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING PROGRAM.

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