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(As amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")

"AN ACT REDUCING ELECTRICITY COSTS AND PROMOTING RENEWABLE ENERGY."

1 Strike subdivision (1) of subsection (f) of section 17 and insert the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "(f) (1) Any third-party agent who contracts with or is otherwise
4 compensated by an electric supplier to sell electric generation services
5 shall be a legal agent of the electric supplier. No third-party agent may
6 sell electric generation services on behalf of an electric supplier unless
7 (i) the third-party agent is an employee or independent contractor of
8 such electric supplier, and (ii) the third-party agent has received
9 appropriate training directly from such electric supplier. For purposes
10 of this subsection, the "official language of the state" means the official
11 language of the state as described in section 501 of this act."

12 Strike subparagraph (B) of subdivision (2) of subsection (f) of
13 section 17 and insert the following in lieu thereof:

14 "(B) For door-to-door sales to customers with a maximum demand
15 of one hundred kilowatts, which shall include the sale of electric
16 generation services in which the electric supplier, aggregator or agent
17 of an electric supplier or aggregator solicits the sale and receives the
18 customer's agreement or offer to purchase at a place other than the
19 seller's place of business, be conducted (i) in accordance with any
20 municipal and local ordinances regarding door-to-door solicitations,
21 (ii) between the hours of ten o'clock a.m. and six o'clock p.m., and (iii)
22 with written materials available in the official language of the state.
23 Any representative of an electric supplier, aggregator or agent of an
24 electric supplier or aggregator shall prominently display or wear a
25 photo identification badge stating the name of such person's employer
26 or the electric supplier the person represents. Each such supplier,
27 aggregator or agent shall conduct a criminal background check on each
28 person such entity employs to conduct such door-to-door sales and no
29 one who has been convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor involving
30 robbery, theft, misrepresentation or any other similar crime shall be
31 employed to conduct such sales."

32 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
33 internal references accordingly:

34 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2010*) (a) The official language of
35 the state shall be English. Neither the state nor any political
36 subdivision of the state shall require by ordinance, regulation, order,
37 program or policy the use in the state of any language other than
38 English. Governmental officials and employees shall be bound by the
39 provisions of this section during the performance of government
40 business. No governmental document shall be valid, effective or
41 enforceable unless it is printed in the English language. The state and
42 all political subdivisions of the state shall take all reasonable steps to
43 preserve, protect and enhance the role of the English language as the
44 official language of the state.

45 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of subsection (a) of this section,
46 the state and political subdivisions of the state may act in a language

47 other than English to (1) assist students who are not proficient in the
48 English language by providing educational instruction in languages
49 other than English to provide as rapid as possible a transition to
50 English, (2) provide foreign language instruction as part of a required
51 or voluntary education curriculum, (3) allow for Latin on the state seal
52 and on government documents, (4) allow legislators to communicate
53 with constituents in languages other than English, (5) comply with
54 federal laws, (6) protect public health and safety, and (7) protect the
55 rights of criminal defendants or victims of crime. Nothing in this
56 subsection shall prohibit the printing of proper names."