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*(As amended by Senate Amendment Schedule "A")*

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

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

3 "(B) For door-to-door sales to customers with a maximum demand  
4 of one hundred kilowatts, which shall include the sale of electric  
5 generation services in which the electric supplier, aggregator or agent  
6 of an electric supplier or aggregator solicits the sale and receives the  
7 customer's agreement or offer to purchase at a place other than the  
8 seller's place of business, be conducted (i) in accordance with any  
9 municipal and local ordinances regarding door-to-door solicitations,  
10 (ii) between the hours of ten o'clock a.m. and six o'clock p.m., and (iii)  
11 with written materials available in the official language of the state.  
12 Any representative of an electric supplier, aggregator or agent of an  
13 electric supplier or aggregator shall prominently display or wear a  
14 photo identification badge stating the name of such person's employer

15 or the electric supplier the person represents. Each such supplier,  
16 aggregator or agent shall conduct a criminal background check on each  
17 person such entity employs to conduct such door-to-door sales and no  
18 one who has been convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor involving  
19 robbery, theft, misrepresentation or any other similar crime shall be  
20 employed to conduct such sales. For purposes of this subsection, the  
21 "official language of the state" means the official language of the state  
22 as described in section 501 of this act."

23 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
24 internal references accordingly:

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

36 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of subsection (a) of this section,  
37 the state and political subdivisions of the state may act in a language  
38 other than English to (1) assist students who are not proficient in the  
39 English language by providing educational instruction in languages  
40 other than English to provide as rapid as possible a transition to  
41 English, (2) provide foreign language instruction as part of a required  
42 or voluntary education curriculum, (3) allow for Latin on the state seal  
43 and on government documents, (4) allow legislators to communicate  
44 with constituents in languages other than English, (5) comply with  
45 federal laws, (6) protect public health and safety, and (7) protect the  
46 rights of criminal defendants or victims of crime. Nothing in this  
47 subsection shall prohibit the printing of proper names."