

1 **H. B. 2409**

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3 (By Delegates Ireland, Hamilton, Romine and C. Miller)
4 [Introduced January 12, 2011; referred to the
5 Committee on the Judiciary.]
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10 A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by
11 adding thereto a new section, designated §2-1-3, relating to
12 making English the official language of West Virginia.

13 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

14 That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended
15 by adding thereto a new section, designated §2-1-3, to read as
16 follows:

17 **ARTICLE 1. COMMON LAW.**

18 **§2-1-3. English designated as official state language.**

19 English is hereby designated as the official language of the
20 State of West Virginia. Notwithstanding any other provision of
21 this code to the contrary, no state agency or political subdivision
22 is required to provide any documents, information, literature or
23 other written materials in any language other than English.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to make English the official state language.

This section is new; therefore, it has been completely underscored.