- (1) WRITE AND PUBLISH EACH-OFFICIAL DOCUMENT IN ENGLISH; AND
- (2) CONDUCT EACH MEETING AND OTHER OFFICIAL ORAL COMMUNICATION IT AUTHORIZES IN ENGLISH.
- (D) THE STATE AND EACH POLITICAL SUBDIVISION AND MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE MAY-CONDUCT-ITS AFFAIRS IN A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH TO:
  - (1) COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW:
  - (2) PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY;
- (3) PROTECT—THE RIGHTS OF CIVIL LITIGANTS, CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS, OR VICTIMS OF CRIME:
- (4) ASSIST STUDENTS WHO ARE NOT PROFICIENT IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE BY PROVIDING ENGLISH INSTRUCTION TO FACILITATE AS RAPID AS POSSIBLE A TRANSITION TO THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE;
- (5) PROVIDE INTERPRETATION FOR DEAF INDIVIDUALS IN AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE:
  - (6) . TEACH A FOREIGN LANGUAGE; OR
- (7) PROMOTE-THE ARTS, INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE, OR TOURISM; OR
- (8) ASSIST PERSONS WHO ARE NOT PROFICIENT IN ENGLISH IN THE CONDUCT OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS.
- (E) THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO REQUIRE THE TRANSLATION INTO ENGLISH OF ANY OFFICIAL MOTTO OR SLOGAN.

SECTION 2.—AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason in a court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and for this purpose the provisions of this Act are declared severable.

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## ENGLISH IS THE STATE LANGUAGE.

SECTION 3. 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1995.

May 24, 1995

The Honorable Casper R. Taylor, Jr.