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Referred to Committee on GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION
AND ELECTIONS

Introduced by:
(GAE)

***AN ACT REQUIRING A PLAN FOR THE TRANSLATION AND REVIEW
OF FORMS AND APPLICATIONS REQUIRED TO ACCESS STATE
AGENCY SERVICES OR BENEFITS BY LIMITED-ENGLISH
PROFICIENT INDIVIDUALS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section, (1)
2 "individual with limited-English proficiency" means an individual
3 whose primary and preferred language is not English, and who has a
4 limited ability to read, speak, write or understand English, (2) "vital
5 record" has the same meaning as provided in section 7-36 of the general
6 statutes, and (3) "identification document" means a document that can
7 be used to verify the holder's identity, including, but not limited to, a
8 driver's license.

9 (b) Not later than January 1, 2027, the Commissioner of
10 Administrative Services shall develop a plan for the review and
11 translation of all printed or electronic forms or applications required to
12 access services or benefits provided by executive branch state agencies,
13 including, but not limited to, forms or applications necessary to access

14 vital records or to obtain identification documents, into the twelve most
15 common non-English languages spoken by individuals with limited-
16 English proficiency in the state based on the data in the most recent
17 American Community Survey published by the United States Census
18 Bureau. Thereafter, the commissioner shall update such plan as
19 necessary, but not less than every two years.

20 (c) Not later than February 1, 2027, each state agency in the executive
21 branch shall (1) adopt and implement the plan developed under
22 subsection (b) of this section and update such plan every two years
23 thereafter, and (2) designate a language access coordinator to work with
24 the Department of Administrative Services to ensure compliance with
25 such plan.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require (1) the Commissioner of Administrative Services to develop a plan for the translation and review of certain forms and applications into languages spoken by limited-English proficient individuals in the state, and (2) state agencies to adopt and implement such plan and appoint a language access coordinator.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]