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House Bill 1024

By: Representatives Franklin of the 43rd, Rynders of the 152nd, Coan of the 101st, Williams of the 4th, England of the 108th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 50-3-100 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
- 2 designation of English as the official language, so as to eliminate certain discretionary
- 3 authority regarding the use or printing of certain documents; to provide an effective date; to
- 4 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 Code Section 50-3-100 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the designation
- 8 of English as the official language, is amended by striking subsection (c) and inserting in its
- 9 place a new subsection (c) to read as follows:
- 10 "(c) State agencies, counties, municipal corporations, and political subdivisions of this
- state are authorized to use or to print official documents and forms in languages other than
- 12 the official language, at the discretion of their governing authorities. Documents filed or
- recorded with a state agency or with the clerk of a county, municipal corporation, or
- political subdivision must be in the official language or, if the original document is in a
- language other than the official language, an English translation of the document must be
- simultaneously filed."
- 17 SECTION 2.
- 18 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
- 19 without such approval.
- SECTION 3.
- 21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.