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To: Judiciary, Division A

SENATE BILL NO. 2328

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 3-3-31, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO
2 REQUIRE THAT ALL STATE AGENCIES AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OFFER
3 ALL SERVICES OR OTHER MATERIALS IN AN ENGLISH-ONLY FORMAT; AND FOR
4 RELATED PURPOSES.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

6 **SECTION 1.** Section 3-3-31, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
7 amended as follows:

8 3-3-31. (1) The English language is the official language
9 of the State of Mississippi.

10 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all state
11 agencies and political subdivisions of the state shall offer all
12 services, publications, printed, audio and video materials and
13 tests in an English-only format unless otherwise required by
14 federal law or regulations.

15 **SECTION 2.** Subject to appropriation, the Commissioner of
16 Public Safety shall designate that some or all members of the
17 Highway Safety Patrol be trained in accordance with a memorandum
18 of understanding between the State of Mississippi and the United
19 States Department of Homeland Security concerning the enforcement
20 of federal immigration laws during the course of their normal
21 duties in the State of Mississippi in accordance with 8 USC
22 Section 1357(g). The Commissioner shall have authority to
23 negotiate the terms of the memorandum which shall be signed by the
24 chief officer of the Highway Safety Patrol, the Governor, and the
25 Commissioner of Public Safety.

26 **SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
27 and after July 1, 2011.

