

S 1089

National Foreign Language Coordination Act of 2005

**Congress:** 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Government Operations and Politics

**Introduced:** May 19, 2005

**Current Status:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8207-8210)

**Latest Action:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8207-8210) (Jul 13, 2005)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/109th-congress/senate-bill/1089>

Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Akaka, Daniel K. [D-HI]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** HI • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (4 total)

| Cosponsor                        | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|----------------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Sen. Cochran, Thad [R-MS]        | R · MS        |      | May 19, 2005 |
| Sen. Dodd, Christopher J. [D-CT] | D · CT        |      | May 19, 2005 |
| Sen. Durbin, Richard J. [D-IL]   | D · IL        |      | Jul 15, 2005 |
| Sen. Feingold, Russell D. [D-WI] | D · WI        |      | Jul 25, 2005 |

Committee Activity

| Committee  | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
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| Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee | Senate  | Referred To | May 19, 2005 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

| Bill        | Relationship | Last Action  |
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| 109 HR 4196 | Related bill | <b>Mar 24, 2006:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Education Reform. |

National Foreign Language Coordination Act of 2005 - Establishes the National Foreign Language Coordination Council to develop and implement a national foreign language strategy. Includes heads of certain federal agencies as members of the Council.

Establishes a National Language Director, to be appointed by the President, to: (1) chair the Council; (2) develop and oversee implementation of the strategy; (3) establish formal relationships among major stakeholders, including federal, state, and local government agencies, academia, industry, labor, and heritage communities; and (4) coordinate and lead a public information campaign.

Requires the Council to consult with states to provide for designation of state contact persons. Encourages formation of state interagency councils, or designation of state lead agencies, to coordinate with the Council and state and local agencies.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jul 13, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8207-8210)
- **May 19, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **May 19, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5543-5544)
- **May 19, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (text of measure as introduced: CR S5544-5545)