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To establish a National Foreign Language Coordination Council.

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109 S 1089	Related bill	**Jul 13, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S8207-8210)

Summary (as of Nov 2, 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

- **Mar 24, 2006:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Education Reform.
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