

HR 5473

James Boulet National Language Act of 2014

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Government Operations and Politics

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Current Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security.

Latest Action: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security. (Oct 28, 2014)

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • State: TX • Chamber: House

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Education and Workforce Committee	House	Referred To	Sep 15, 2014
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred to	Oct 28, 2014
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Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Government Operations and Politics

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

James Boulet National Language Act of 2014 - Amends federal law to: (1) make English the official language of the United States, (2) require that official U.S. government functions be conducted in English, and (3) require the U.S. government to preserve and enhance the role of English as the official language of the United States.

Declares that, unless specifically stated in applicable law, no person has a right, entitlement, or claim to have the U.S. government or any of its officials or representatives act, communicate, perform or provide services, or materials in any language other than English.

Makes exceptions to these requirements the use of a language other than English for: (1) religious purposes, (2) language training for international communication, or (3) school programs designed to encourage students to learn foreign languages.

Amends the the Voting Rights Act of 1965 to repeal bilingual voting and related voting qualification requirements.

Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to require that all public naturalization ceremonies in which the oath of allegiance is administered be conducted solely in the English language.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Oct 28, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice.
- **Oct 28, 2014:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security.
- **Sep 15, 2014:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 15, 2014:** Referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.