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Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to establish English as the official language of the United States.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GOODE (for himself, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, and Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland) introduced the following joint resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to establish English as the official language of the United States.

1 *Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled*
3 *(two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the fol-*
4 *lowing article is proposed as an amendment to the Con-*
5 *stitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all*
6 *intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when*
7 *ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several*
8 *States within seven years after the date of its submission*
9 *for ratification:*

1 “ARTICLE —

2 “SECTION 1. The English language shall be the offi-
3 cial language of the United States. As the official lan-
4 guage, the English language shall be used for all public
5 acts including every order, resolution, vote, and election,
6 and for all records and judicial proceedings of the Govern-
7 ment of the United States and the governments of the sev-
8 eral States.

9 “SECTION 2. The Congress and the States shall en-
10 force this article by appropriate legislation.”.

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