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CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 216()

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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**Offered:
Referred:**

**Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES KREISS-TOMKINS, MILLETT, EDGMON, NAGEAK, AND HERRON,
Gara, Guttenberg, Foster, Drummond, LeDoux, Kito III, Kawasaki, Muñoz**

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

**"An Act adding the Inupiaq, Siberian Yupik, Central Alaskan Yup'ik, Alutiiq,
Unangâ, Dena'ina, Deg Xinag, Holikachuk, Koyukon, Upper Kuskokwim, Gwich'in,
Tanana, Upper Tanana, Tanacross, Hän, Ahtna, Eyak, Tlingit, Haida, and Tsimshian
languages as official languages of the state."**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

*** Section 1.** AS 44.12.310 is amended to read:

Sec. 44.12.310. Official languages [LANGUAGE]. The English, Inupiaq,
Siberian Yupik, Central Alaskan Yup'ik, Alutiiq, Unangâ, Dena'ina, Deg Xinag,
Holikachuk, Koyukon, Upper Kuskokwim, Gwich'in, Tanana, Upper Tanana,
Tanacross, Hän, Ahtna, Eyak, Tlingit, Haida, and Tsimshian languages are
[LANGUAGE IS] the official languages [LANGUAGE] of the State of Alaska.

*** Sec. 2.** AS 44.12.310 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(b) The designation of languages other than English as official languages of
the state under (a) of this section does not require or place a duty or responsibility on

- 1 the state or a municipal government to print a document or record or conduct a
- 2 meeting, assembly, or other government activity in any language other than English.