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H 1909. NEW FOREIGN LANG. IN SCHOOLS/PILOT PROGRAM. Filed 5/11/06. TO IMPLEMENT A RECOMMENDATION OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PILOT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE CLASSES IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES CURRENTLY NOT TAUGHT AND IN THE CULTURE, GEOGRAPHY, POLITICAL, LEGAL, AND ECONOMIC SYSTEMS OF COUNTRIES WHERE THOSE LANGUAGES ARE SPOKEN. Appropriates \$1 million for 2006-07 from the General Fund to the Department of Public Instruction to develop and implement a pilot program as title indicates. Requires the State Board of Education to select six local school administrative units that are distributed geographically throughout the state for the pilot program. Provides that classes will begin in the second semester of the 2006-07 school year. Effective July 1, 2006.

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