HOUSE BILL NO. 30

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVES B.DAVIS, Rokeberg, Austerman, James

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Referred: State Affairs, Health, Education and Social Services

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

"An Act relating to a dress code for public schools."

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

* Section 1. AS 14.03 is amended by adding a new section to read:

Sec. 14.03.095. SCHOOL DRESS CODE. (a) A governing body may adopt a reasonable dress code that requires a student attending public school in the district to wear a uniform or that prohibits a student from wearing specified clothing, if the governing body determines that the policy is necessary for the health and safety of the students or teachers of the district.

(b) A dress code that requires students to wear a uniform may not be implemented unless the governing body

(1) provides at least six months notice to the student body and to parents of students in the district;

(2) determines that financial resources are available to assist economically disadvantaged students;

(3) includes a provision allowing parents to exclude their children from
the dress code; and

(4) includes a provision that a student may not be academically penalized or otherwise discriminated against if the student is excepted from the uniform requirement under (3) of this subsection.

(c) A dress code adopted under this section may not preclude students who participate in a nationally recognized youth organization from wearing organization uniforms on days when the organization has a scheduled meeting.