A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

"An Act relating to an exemption from the regulation of postsecondary educational institutions."

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

* Section 1. AS 14.48.030(a) is amended to read:

(a) The following educational programs, and institutions providing only the following educational programs, are exempt from the provisions of this chapter:

1. instruction provided at a level from preschool through grade 12, including preparation for general equivalency diploma examinations;
2. a program operated by the United States;
3. a program that does not offer educational credentials and is provided only to prepare individuals to take graduate examinations; [AND]
4. a program that does not offer educational credentials and is only avocational or recreational in nature; and

5. a program that is in a field that
(A) does not require a professional or occupational license under AS 08;

(B) provides training primarily for recreational purposes;

and

(C) at the advanced training level, prepares program graduates to teach or instruct in that field.

* Sec. 2. AS 14.48.030 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

    (d) An educational program or institution that is exempt under (a)(5) of this section shall provide students with written notice, before enrollment, that the program or institution is exempt from state authorization requirements under this chapter.

* Sec. 3. AS 14.48.210 is amended by adding new paragraphs to read:

    (12) "avocational" means of or relating to an activity that is done as a hobby or for recreational purposes;

    (13) "recreational" means an activity engaged in for the purpose of personal satisfaction, pleasure, creative enrichment, or enhanced well-being;

    (14) "vocational" means of or relating to a skill or trade pursued as a career or for the purpose of gainful employment.