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SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 135(FIN)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered:
Referred:

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES LINCOLN, Westlake, Kito, Gara, Fansler, Spohnholz, Parish

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to school district participation in the school construction grant
2 program."

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 14.11.008(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) In order to receive a grant under this chapter or an appropriation under
6 AS 37.05.560, a district must provide a percentage share of the project cost, as
7 determined under (b) or (c) of this section. Except as provided in (d) or (g) of this
8 section, a [A] district shall provide the required participating share within three years
9 after the date that the appropriation bill funding the grant is passed by the legislature.

10 * **Sec. 2.** AS 14.11.008 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

11 (g) The commissioner may extend the time allowed for a district to provide
12 the required participating share for an additional period of not more than seven years if
13 the district applies to the commissioner in writing to request an extension and
14 demonstrates good cause for the requested extension. The commissioner may find

1 good cause if

2 (1) a request for extension identifies a project constraint that requires a
3 reasonable extension of time;

4 (2) the extension will not jeopardize the successful completion of the
5 project as described in a grant agreement under AS 14.11.017;

6 (3) the extension will not result in an increase of state funding of the
7 project cost; and

8 (4) the district demonstrates a good faith effort to secure funding for its
9 participating share within the time required by (a) of this section and reasonably
10 expects to secure the funding within the additional time requested by the extension.

11 * **Sec. 3.** The uncoded law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
12 read:

13 APPLICABILITY. AS 14.11.008(a), as amended by sec. 1 of this Act, and
14 AS 14.11.008(g), enacted by sec. 2 of this Act, apply to a grant received under AS 14.11.008 -
15 14.11.020 before, on, or after the effective date of this Act.