

Katie Koester

From: Rep. Paul Seaton
Sent: Friday, January 29, 2010 3:16 PM
To: Katie Koester
Subject: FW: HB 317

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From: Friedman_Jeff [mailto:Friedman_Jeff@asdk12.org]
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2010 3:57 PM
To: Rep. Paul Seaton
Cc: Rep. Cathy Munoz; Rep. Bryce Edgmon; Representative_we_keller@legis.state.ak.us; representative_peggy_wilson@legis.state.ak.us; Rep. Bob Buch; Rep. Berta Gardner; Comeau_Carol; Steele_Tim; Olson_Robin
Subject: HB 317

Chair Seaton and Committee Members:

I am writing to express my personal support of HB 317. This bill will increase the block grant funding for vocational education, gifted and talented, special education, and bilingual services by 1.5 percentage points. The current block grant is insufficient to cover all of our current costs, so this small increase is definitely needed.

HB 317 will also provide advance, programmed increases to the Base Student Allocation. For the last three years, we have been able to count on known increases when planning our budget. This has been a huge success from my point of view.

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Mary Francis

Position Statement 09-15

Career and Technical Education

The Alaska Council of School Administrators supports the reestablishment of categorical Career and Technical Education funding to ensure our K-12 schools have the tools to prepare a workforce trained in 21st century work skills and to provide a viable mechanism to increase graduation rates by reengaging disenfranchised students in their high school education.

- Increased funding in Career and Technical Education professional development opportunities is critical to ensure CTE teachers can meet the wide array of learning needs of our students while also demonstrating content mastery through methods appropriate to their areas of expertise, utilizing industry-based credentials.
- All students need a strong array of reading, comprehension, reasoning, problem-solving and personal skills to be ready to enter the world of meaningful postsecondary education and training or to enter the high-skilled workplace.
- A strong and well-articulated Career and Technical Education model is critical to supporting high K-12 educational standards and Alaska's economic stability and growth.

Adopted by the Alaska Council of School Administrators (AASA, AAESP and AASSP) October 2009

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Position Statement 09-1

Increase to Base Student Allocation

The Alaska Council of School Administrators requests that the Legislature establish and fund a base student allocation beyond the amount currently in law.

- Increased energy costs, increases in health care costs, general labor expenses and other costs continue to result in funding pressures in school districts.
- Many districts project FY 11 staff and program cuts; the negative effects on student education would be mitigated by this additional funding.
- Provide adequate and equitable funding to all districts.

Adopted by the Alaska Council of School Administrators
October and December 2009

Louie Flora

From: Al Weinberg [alweinberg@hydaburg.k12.ak.us]
Sent: Saturday, January 30, 2010 1:11 PM
To: Louie Flora
Subject: RE: House Education Committee schedule

Hydaburg City School District supports HB317.

Al Weinberg, Superintendent
HYDABURG CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

From: Louie Flora [mailto:Louie_Flora@legis.state.ak.us]
Sent: Thursday, January 28, 2010 4:54 PM
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Subject: House Education Committee schedule

Attached and posted below is the schedule for House Education Committee next week.

Louie Flora
House Education Committee Aide,
Representative Paul Seaton, Chair
(907) 465-3923

Monday, February 1st Room 106 at 8:00 a.m.

*+ HB 317 EDUC. FUNDING: BASIC/SPEC NEEDS/TRANSPORT
=+ HB 235 PROF STUDENT EXCHANGE LOAN FORGIVENESS
=+HB 206 HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSM'T/POSTSECONDARY CLASS

<bills previously heard/scheduled>

Wednesday, February 3rd Room 124 at 8:00 a.m.
(Joint With Senate Education)

+ Overview – Governor’s Performance Scholarship
*+HB 297 POSTSECONDARY SCHOLARSHIPS

Friday, February 5th Room 106 at 8:00 a.m.

<bills previously heard/scheduled>

+ <teleconferenced>