Position Statement 09-5

Funding Bond Debt Reimbursement and the Capital Improvement Program

The Alaska Council of School Administrators supports the continuation of the current level of 60% and 70% debt reimbursement of voter-approved bonds, and supports the development of a process to equitably address the need of school districts unable to bond locally.

- A reduction in the payment schedule from the State of Alaska will adversely affect budgets and promises made to taxpayers at an extremely challenging economic time.
- The planning of construction projects and major maintenance efforts were carefully considered with anticipated budget information secured from a variety of sources, including the State of Alaska.
- The public was informed that local and statewide bond efforts would receive state repayment support.

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Position Statement 09-14

DEED Audit of All Alaskan School Buildings

The Alaska Council of School Administrators urges the Legislature to fund a statewide audit of all school facilities to accurately assess which school buildings must be replaced or renovated in three, five and ten years.

- A building audit would provide the Legislature and Governor with accurate data on the state of school buildings throughout Alaska, including anticipated and immediate needs.
- The audit should focus on the expectation that all school facilities in Alaska are maximally energy-efficient and provide safe, healthy learning environments.