

DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION & EARLY DEVELOPMENTS (EED), LABOR & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
(DOL/WD) AND REVENUE (DOR)
SB 139//HB 278 SECTIONAL ANALYSIS//VERSION A
GOVERNOR'S EDUCATION PACKAGE

An Act increasing the base student allocation used in the formula for state funding of public education; repealing the secondary student competency examination and related requirements; relating to high school course credit earned through assessment; relating to a college and career readiness assessment for secondary students; relating to charter school application appeals and program budgets; relating to residential school applications; increasing the stipend for boarding school students; extending unemployment contributions of the Alaska technical and vocational education program; relating to earning high school credit for completion of vocational education courses offered by institutions receiving technical and vocational education program funding; relating to tax credits for scholarships for dual-credit students and contributions to residential school housing facilities; making conforming amendments; and providing for an effective date.

BILL SECTION	AK STATUTE SECTION TITLE	PAGE	LINE	PURPOSE OF SECTION	AGENCY IMPACTED
1	14.03.073- Course credit earned through mastery of course content (new section)	2	1-9	Requires school districts to allow high school students the opportunity to prove mastery through a district-approved assessment of course content for courses offered in mathematics, language arts, science, social studies, and world languages.	EED – Public School Districts
2	14.03.075- College and career readiness assessment	2	11-23	Repeals and reenacts AS 14.03.075 to change the high school graduation requirement from passing a competency exam in reading, English, and mathematics to participating in a college and career readiness assessment. Waivers will continue to exist for meeting graduation requirements under certain situations.	EED – Public School Districts
3	14.03.078-Report	2-3	24-31 1-22	Amends information required to be included in the annual February 15 report to the legislature by removing information related to the high school competency exam.	EED
4	14.03.120(d)-Education planning; reports	3-4	23-31 1-31	Amends information required to be included in the annual School Report Cards to the Public, which are submitted to the department by school districts related to the high school competency exam.	EED – Public School Districts

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5	14.03.123 (f)-School and district accountability	4-5	31 1-15	Amends language to match what is measured on the standard-based assessments. Specifically “language arts” replaced “reading and writing”. The requirement for including the HSGQE with the implementation of state criteria and priorities for the state accountability system will be removed.	EED – Public School Districts
6	14.03.250 –Application for charter school	5-6	16-31 1-10	Repeals and reenacts language regarding the application process for charter schools. Changes include the requirement that a local school board provide in writing a decision to approve or deny a charter school including and relevant findings of fact and conclusions of law.	EED-Public School Districts
7	14.03.253-Charter school application appeal to commissioner	6	11-20	Amends language to outline the possible actions the commissioner may take in an appeal process for a charter school application denied by the local school board.	EED – Public School Districts
8	14.03.255- Organization and operation of a charter school	6-7	21-31 1	Amended to remove the inclusion of the HSGQE as a required test for charter schools.	EED – Public School Districts
9	14.03.260- Funding for a charter school	7	2-16	Amended to require the inclusion of funds generated by special needs, secondary school vocational and technical instruction, and pupil transportation based on the amount generated by students enrolled in the charter school.	EED – Public School District
10	14.07.165-Duties	7-8	17-31 1-5	Replaces the reference to “secondary school student competency examination” for regulations and stated the board shall adopt for implementing the “college and career readiness assessment”.	EED-State Board of Education & Early Development
11	14.07.165-Duties	8	6-8	Amended to add a new subsection clarifying the meaning of “child with a disability” as that provided in AS 14.30.350.	EED-State Board of Education & Early Development
12	14.16.100- Application for residential school	8	9-15	Adding a new section to provide for an annual open application period for residential applications. An application period in itself does not indicate that the department will approve new schools into the program.	EED – Public School Districts
13	14.16.200- State funding for districts operating residential schools	8	16-30	Amended to increase the per-pupil stipend rates from current law to 1.5 times current law.	EED – Public School Districts

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14	14.17.470-Base student allocation	8-9	31 1-2	Amended to increase the base student allocation in FY2015 to \$5765.	EED – Public School Districts
15	14.17.470-Base student allocation	9	3-5	Amended to increase the base student allocation in FY2015 to \$5765.	EED – Public School Districts
16	14.17.470-Base student allocation	9	6-8	Amended to increase the base student allocation in FY2015 to \$5765.	EED – Public School Districts
17	23.15.835(d)-Special employee unemployment contributions for program	9	9-25	Amended to extend the Technical Vocational Education Program (TVEP) through June 30, 2024.	DOL/WD – TVEP Institutions
18	23.15.835- Special employee unemployment contributions for program	9-10	26-31 1-17	Amended to include in department report a description of each vocational course funded through TVEP that permits high school students to earn dual credit upon course completion. And to provide a copy of the articulation agreement in effect for the prior year or that is in process to include the number of high school students who earned dual credit under the agreement	DOL/WD – TVEP Institutions
19	23.15.835- Special employee unemployment contributions for program	10	18-24	Amended to require institutions receiving TVEP funding to establish and maintain at least one articulation agreement under which high school students have completed a vocational ed. course.	DOL/WD – TVEP Institutions – Public School Districts
20	23.15.850-Definitions	10-11	25-31 1	Amending to define articulation agreement and dual credit	
21	43.20.014(a)-Income tax education credit	11	2-28	Amends by adding two options to the list of opportunities for a taxpayer to claim a credit against their tax liability for a cash contribution made. 1. for the funding of a scholarship awarded by a nonprofit organization to a dual credit student to defray tuition, registration, course, and textbook fees. 2. for the construction, operation or maintenance of a residential housing facility by a residential school approved by DEED.	

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22	43.20.014(a)- Income tax education credit	10-11	29-31 1-17	Amends by adding two options to the list of opportunities for a taxpayer to claim a credit against their tax liability for a cash contribution made. 1. for the funding of a scholarship awarded by a nonprofit organization to a dual credit student to defray tuition, registration, course, and textbook fees. 2. for the construction, operation or maintenance of a residential housing facility by a residential school approved by DEED. When the credit language reverts back to pre-2010 language, these two contributions will continue to apply.	
23	43.20.014(f)- Income tax education credit	12	18-23	Amended to define of dual-credit student and nonprofit organization.	
24	43.65.018(a)-Mining business education credit	12-13	24-31 1-19	Amends by adding two options to the list of opportunities that a taxpayer involved in the business of mining in the state may claim a credit against their tax liability. 1. for the funding of a scholarship awarded by a nonprofit organization to a dual credit student to defray tuition, registration, course and textbook fees. 2. for the construction, operation or maintenance of a residential housing facility by a residential school approved by DEED.	
25	43.65.018(a)- Mining business education credit	13-14	20-31 1-8	Amends by adding two options to the list of opportunities that a taxpayer involved in the business of mining in the state may claim a credit against their tax liability. 1. for the funding of a scholarship awarded by a nonprofit organization to a dual credit student to defray tuition, registration, course and textbook fees. 2. for the construction, operation or maintenance of a residential housing facility by a residential school approved by DEED. When the credit language reverts back to pre-2010 language, these two contributions will continue to apply.	
26	43.65.018(f)- Mining business education credit	14	9-14	Amended to define dual-credit student and nonprofit organization	DOR
27	43.75.018- Fisheries business education credit	14-15	15-31 1-10	Amends by adding two options to the list of opportunities that a taxpayer engaged in a fisheries business may claim a credit against their tax liability. 1. for the funding of a scholarship awarded by a nonprofit organization to a dual credit student to defray tuition, registration, course and textbook fees. 2. for the construction, operation or maintenance of a residential housing facility by a residential school approved by DEED.	DOR

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29	43.75.018- Fisheries business education credit	15-16	31 1-5	Amended to define dual-credit student and nonprofit organization	DOR
30	43.77.045(a)-Fisheries resource landing tax education credit	16-17	6-31 1-2	Amends by adding two options to the list of opportunities that a taxpayer engaged in a floating fisheries business may claim a credit against their tax liability. 1. for the funding of a scholarship awarded by a nonprofit organization to a dual credit student to defray tuition, registration, course and textbook fees. 2. for the construction, operation or maintenance of a residential housing facility by a residential school approved by DEED.	
31	43.77.045(a)- Fisheries resource landing tax education credit	17	3-23	Amends by adding two options to the list of opportunities that a taxpayer engaged in a floating fisheries business may claim a credit against their tax liability. 1. for the funding of a scholarship awarded by a nonprofit organization to a dual credit student to defray tuition, registration, course and textbook fees. 2. for the construction, operation or maintenance of a residential housing facility by a residential school approved by DEED. When the credit language reverts back to pre-2010 language, these two contributions will continue to apply.	
32	43.77.045(f)- Fisheries resource landing tax education credit	17	24-30	Amended to define dual-credit student and nonprofit organization	DOR
33	Transition: Student testing in progress	17-18	31 1-5	A new section is placed in uncodified law to define that effective on August 31, 2014 former students that hold a certificate of achievement and are still required to pass the HSGQE to receive a diploma will be allowed opportunities to continue participation in the HSGQE until June 30, 2017.	EED – Adult test takers

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34	Transition: Charter school applications	18	6-10	A new section is placed in uncodified law to apply an appeal processes for denied charter school applications received on or after September 1, 2014.	EED – Public School Districts
35	Transition: regulations	18	11-18	A new section is placed in uncodified law to allow the department to proceed with adopting regulations that are necessary to implement the changes made by this act.	EED – State Board of Education & Early Development
36	Effective date notice	18	19	Sections 17 and 33 take effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c)	
37	Effective date notice	18	20	Section 14 takes effect July 1, 2014	
38	Effective date notice	18	21	Sections 1, 15 and 18-20 take effect July 1, 2015	
39	Effective date notice	18	22	Section 16 takes effect July 1, 2016	
40	Effective date notice	18	23	Sections 22, 25, 28 and 31 take effect January 1, 2021	
41	Effective date notice	18	24-25	Except as provided, sections 36-40 take effect September 1, 2014	