

**SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 47**

**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**

**TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION**

**BY SENATOR COGHILL**

**Introduced: 2/22/13**

**Referred: Education, Finance**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1   **"An Act relating to boarding schools operated by school districts; and providing for an**  
2   **effective date."**

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

4    \* **Section 1.** AS 14.16.200(a) is amended to read:

5           (a) A district that operates [, BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2005, BEGAN  
6           OPERATING] a statewide or districtwide residential educational program for  
7           students in grades nine through 12 that has been approved by the department under  
8           regulations adopted by the board is eligible to receive a boarding stipend as  
9           reimbursement for the costs incurred by the district in operating that program. To be  
10          eligible for reimbursement for costs, a statewide or districtwide [THE DISTRICT-  
11          OPERATED STATEWIDE] residential educational program operated by a district  
12          must provide a suitable student dormitory and daily access to a public school offering  
13          the appropriate grade level.

14   \* **Sec. 2.** AS 14.16.200(b) is amended to read:

(b) Costs that may be claimed by a district for reimbursement under (a) of this section are

(1) one round trip on the least expensive means of transportation between the student's community of residence and the school during the school year if the district expends money for the trip; and

(2) a per-pupil monthly stipend to cover room and board expenses as determined by the department on a regional basis and not to exceed the following amounts:

(A) for the Southeast Region (Region I), \$1,230 [\$410];

(B) for the Southcentral Region (Region II), \$1,200 [\$400];

(C) for the Interior Region (Region III), \$1,452 [\$484];

(D) for the Southwest Region (Region IV), \$1,509 [\$503];

(E) for the Northern Remote Region (Region V), \$1,776 [\$592].

\* **Sec. 3.** AS 14.16.200(d)(2) is amended to read:

(2) "[DISTRICT-OPERATED] statewide or districtwide residential educational program" means a public school [OPERATED BY A SCHOOL DISTRICT] for students in grades nine through 12 that provides education, room, and board for a variable-length term or full school year without regard to the student's district of residence.

\* **Sec. 4.** AS 14.16.200 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(e) A district may cooperate with an Alaska Native organization, as defined in 20 U.S.C. 7546(2), or a nonprofit organization for the provision of room and board services to students enrolled in a statewide or districtwide residential educational program operated by a district.

\* **Sec. 5.** AS 14.16.200(c) is repealed.

\* **Sec. 6.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).