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HB 357

Sponsor Statement

"An Act relating to the Board of Education and Early Development; and relating to the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska."

House Bill 357 places two legislators on the state Board of Education and Early Development and two legislators on the Board of Regents for the University of Alaska.

House Bill 357 affords improved communications between the legislature and each respective board. It opens dialogue, allows for a better understanding of successes and challenges, and provides insight into areas within each organization.

Having two legislatures serve as non-voting members on each board will allow the legislature to be better informed and more knowledgeable of each board, assists in the legislative process to support the goals and objectives of each organization, and gives improved insight to each board on the legislative process.

House Bill 357 will build the framework to shape a strong future for Alaska's educational needs.