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CS for Senate Bill 37 Sectional Analysis

Section 1

Page 1 Lines 8-10

Gives the short title of Alaska Safe Children's Act

Section 2

Pages 1-2 Lines 11-2

AS 14.20.020 adds a subsection to establish a procedure to send national criminal history checks to the Department of Health and Social Services

Section 3

Page 2 Lines 4-7

AS 14.30.070(b) amended to read: (b) The Department of Health and Social Services may require the district to conduct [ADDITIONAL] physical examinations that it considers necessary, and may reimburse the district for [ADDITIONAL] examinations on the basis and to the extent of the commissioner of health and social services prescribes by regulation.

Explanation: Conforms to AS 14.30.070(a) repeal in Section 11

Section 4

Page 2 Lines 8-14

AS 14.30.075 Repeal requirement that school districts pay for physical examinations

Section 5

Page 2-4 Lines 15-2

AS 14.30.355 Substance of Erin's Law

Clarifies that notices are sent to parents instead of "student, parent teacher notification"

Clarifies that training is required for mandated reporters

Clarifies frequency of training to comport with mandated reporter training

AS 14.30.356 Substance of dating violence and abuse awareness and prevention

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Section 6

Page 4 Lines 6-11

Conforms to repeal of AS 14.030.070(a) in section 11

Section 7

Page 4 Lines 12-20

Repeals requirement that certificated preschool teachers must be fingerprinted and background checked a second time after being hired.

Section 8

Pages 4-5 Lines 21-8

AS 47.17.020(a) Adds volunteers to mandatory reporting statute

Section 9

Page 5 Lines 9-17

Adds a new subsection to AS 47.17.020 that volunteer athletic coaches are not required to report child abuse or neglect unless the coach

- (1) volunteers for more than
 - (A) four hours a week for four consecutive weeks; or
 - (B) 20 hours a week in a one-month period;
- (2) has received training required under AS 47.17.022; and
- (3) has signed a form acknowledging that the coach is required to report child abuse or neglect

Section 10

Page 5 Lines 18-22

Defines "athletic coach" to include a volunteer in a public or private school, public or private postsecondary institution, or sponsored by a state municipality, or other local government organization, or a sports team that receives public funding

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Section 11

Page 5 Line 23

Repeals:

AS 14.30.070. Physical examination required (a) the governing body of each school district shall provide for and require a physical examination of every child attending school in the district. The examination shall be made when the child enters school or, in areas where no physician resides, as soon thereafter as is practicable, and thereafter at regular intervals considered advisable by the governing body of the district. For purposes of this subsection, physical examinations, within the scope of chiropractic practice, may be conducted by a chiropractor.

AS 14.30.120. Certificate of physical examination the school board, when physical examinations are made, shall deliver to the parent, guardian, or other person having the responsibility for or control of the child a report signed by the physician or nurse making the examination, specifying the findings with respect to the health and physical well-being of the child. For purposes of this subsection, physician examinations, within the scope of chiropractic practice, may be conducted by a chiropractor.