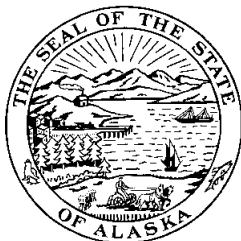


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Sectional Analysis for HB 256

Section 1

Amends AS 14.17.410(b) (Public School Funding) to add a Purple Star funding component to district adjusted average daily membership (ADM) calculations.

Section 2

Amends AS 14.17.420(a) (Funding for special needs, secondary school vocational and technical instruction, and intensive services) to add a Purple Star funding factor to the list of special funding components available to school districts.

Section 3

Amends AS 14.17.440(a) (State funding for state boarding schools) to ensure that state boarding schools receive funding consistent with the new Purple Star factor.

Section 4

Adds a new section to AS 14.30 (Pupils and Educational Programs for Pupils) which requires school districts to provide reasonable accommodations for military-connected students who transfer into an Alaska district.

Section 5

Amends AS 14.34.30 (Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children, State Council) to codify the state council on educational opportunity for military children.

Section 6

Adds new subsections to AS 14.34.030 (Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children, State Council) that provide clear directives for the council to include assisting state and local education agencies, holding public forums for the military community for feedback, and submit annual reports on the status and effectiveness of opportunities for military connected students.

Section 7

Adds Article 2: Children of Military Families and new sections to AS 14.34 (Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children) to codify the Purple Star school program which recognizes individual schools that show a commitment to military-connected students and their families in the form of resources or programs.

Section 8

Repeals AS 13.34.020 (Compact administrator) as this role is meant to be filled by the newly established purple star and military children coordinator under AS 14.34.110.

Section 9

Effective date of July 1, 2026