

Kodiak Island Borough School District

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Dear Representatives:

Kodiak Island Borough School District wholeheartedly endorses House Bill 137. A substantial number of Kodiak Island students come to us from the United States Coast Guard as well as the United States Navy.

We eagerly join this compact's intent to remove the barriers to educational success imposed on the children of military families due to the frequent moves and deployment of their parents. We will be committed to supporting and enforcing the rules and provisions of this compact. It is our District's goal to provide uniform collection and sharing of information; and to promote coordination, flexibility and cooperation between educational systems and families in order to achieve educational success for the student.

We thank Representative Coghill for sponsoring House Bill 137. His concern is for the best interest of the children whose parents are serving this nation with such honor. We appreciate their service and this bill represents a small token of thanks as well as removes several obstacles that are imposed upon their children during their service to our country.

Sincerely,

Stewart McDonald

Superintendent