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SB 84 Military Youth Academy

Sectional Analysis

Section 1: Amends AS 14.30.745(a), by replacing the word “Challenge” with “Military.” While the program was originally recognized as the Alaska Challenge Youth Academy, it is now known as the Alaska Military Youth Academy.

Section 2: Amends AS 44.35.020 by adding a new subsection AS 44.35.020 (c), establishing the Alaska Military Youth Academy as a part of the National Guard Youth Challenge Program established under 32 U.S.C. 509. Enabling legislation was never enacted; this section corrects this oversight and establishes the academy under the operation of the Department of Military and Veterans’ Affairs.

Section 3: Repeals AS 14.30.740. Currently this section addresses funding for the academy. The funding is equal to the base student allocation multiplied by seven for each residential student added to the base student allocation multiplied by 6/10 for each nonresidential student, minus the amount received by the program in federal matching grant funds. The number of students is calculated on October 1 of the prior year.

Section 4: Creates an effective date of January 1, 2014. This date would give the Department of Military and Veterans’ Affairs the opportunity to submit a full budget to the Office of Management and Budget for review.