

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 190(EDC)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/8/13

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES SEATON, Tarr, LeDoux. Drummond, Tuck

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act providing for course credit in secondary school based on demonstrated mastery**
2 **of the subject."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 *** Section 1.** AS 14.03 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 **Sec. 14.03.072. Secondary school course credit.** (a) A school district shall
6 provide the opportunity for students enrolled in a secondary school in the district to
7 challenge a course provided by the district by demonstrating mastery in the subject at
8 the level of the course challenged. A school district shall give full credit for a course to
9 a student who successfully challenges that course as provided under this section.

10 (b) A school district shall establish, within a reasonable time period, an
11 assessment tool and a standard for demonstrating mastery in secondary school courses
12 provided by the district that are likely to be or have been the subject of a challenge
13 requested under this section.

14 (c) In this section, "district" has the meaning given in AS 14.17.990.

1 * **Sec. 2.** AS 14.16.050(a) is amended to read:

2 (a) The following provisions apply with respect to the operation and
3 management of a state boarding school as if it were a school district:

4 (1) requirements relating to school district operations:

5 (A) AS 14.03.030 - 14.03.050 (defining the school term, day in
6 session, and school holidays);

7 (B) **AS 14.03.072 and 14.03.083 - 14.03.140** [AS 14.03.083 -
8 14.03.140] (miscellaneous provisions applicable to school district operations);

9 (C) regulations adopted by the board under authority of
10 AS 14.07.020(a) that are applicable to school districts and their schools, unless
11 the board specifically exempts state boarding schools from compliance with a
12 regulation;

13 (D) AS 14.12.150 (authorizing school districts to establish and
14 participate in the services of a regional resource center);

15 (E) AS 14.14.050 (imposing the requirement of an annual
16 audit);

17 (F) AS 14.14.110 (authorizing cooperation with other school
18 districts);

19 (G) AS 14.14.140(b) (establishing a prohibition on
20 employment of a relative of the chief school administrator);

21 (H) AS 14.18 (prohibiting discrimination based on sex in
22 public education);

23 (2) requirements relating to the public school funding program and the
24 receipt and expenditure of that funding:

25 (A) AS 14.17.500 (relating to student count estimates);

26 (B) AS 14.17.505 (relating to school operating fund balances);

27 (C) AS 14.17.500 - 14.17.910 (setting out the procedure for
28 payment of public school funding and imposing general requirements and
29 limits on money paid);

30 (3) requirements relating to teacher employment and retirement:

31 (A) AS 14.14.105 and 14.14.107 (relating to sick leave);

1 (B) AS 14.20.095 - 14.20.215 (relating to the employment and
2 tenure of teachers);

3 (C) AS 14.20.220 (relating to the salaries of teachers
4 employed);

5 (D) AS 14.20.280 - 14.20.350 (relating to sabbatical leave
6 provisions for teachers);

7 (E) AS 23.40.070 - 23.40.260 (authorizing collective
8 bargaining by certificated employees), except with regard to teachers who are
9 administrators and except that the board may delegate some or all of its
10 responsibilities under those statutes;

11 (F) AS 14.25 (provisions regarding the teachers' retirement
12 system);

13 (4) requirements relating to students and educational programs:

14 (A) AS 14.30.180 - 14.30.350 (relating to educational services
15 for children with disabilities);

16 (B) AS 14.30.360 - 14.30.370 (establishing health education
17 program standards);

18 (C) AS 14.30.400 - 14.30.410 (relating to bilingual and
19 bicultural education).