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CIVICS EDUCATION

Summary of Changes
from version R to N

CHANGE #1: page 1, lines 10-13, inserts to read:

(a) "...must also include, to the maximum extent practicable, comparative systems of government used around the world, and those used by Alaska Natives. The assessment must include a project-based assessment option."

CHANGE #2: page 2, lines 1-11, inserts a new subsection (b) to read:

(b) The curriculum and assessment developed under (a) must include at least three hours of instruction about the history of communist regimes around the world, including information about suppression of speech and the rates of poverty, starvation, migration, and systemic lethal violence in those regimes, and must include discussion of:

- 1) Mao Zedong and the Chinese cultural revolution;
- 2) Vladimir Lenin and the Russian revolution;
- 3) Joseph Stalin, and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics;
- 4) Fidel Castro and the Cuban revolution;
- 5) Pol Pot and the Khmer Rouge; and
- 6) Nicolas Maduro and the chavismo movement.

CHANGE #3: page 2, lines 12-20, inserts to read:

(c) a school may not issue a secondary school diploma to a student unless the student

- 1) Has completed one semester of a civics education course taught using the curriculum developed under (a) and (b) of this section; and (has either):
 - a) achieved a passing score on the comparative government and civics assessment developed under (a) of this section; (or)
 - b) completed a project-based assessment developed under (a) of this section; or
 - c) is a student with a disability and receives a waiver from the governing body.

CHANGE #4: page 2, lines 21-24, inserts a new subsection (d) to read:

(d) Notwithstanding (c) of this section, a school may issue a secondary school diploma to a student who has not completed the program described in (c) of this section if the student transfers into an Alaska public school after the student's second year of high school or has already successfully completed a high school state history course from another state.