

**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 192(JUD)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Offered: 5/8/99

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES JAMES, Dyson, Kohring, Ogan, Coghill, Rokeberg, Harris, Croft, Kemplen, Therriault

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to reciting the pledge of allegiance by public school students."

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

3 \* Section 1. AS 14.03.130 is amended to read:

4           **Sec. 14.03.130. Display of flags and pledge of allegiance [FLAG].** United  
5 States and Alaska flags shall be displayed upon or near each principal school building  
6 during school hours and at other times the governing body considers proper. **The**  
7 **governing body shall require that the pledge of allegiance be recited regularly,**  
8 **as determined by the governing body. A person may recite the following salute**  
9 **to the flag of the United States or maintain a respectful silence: "I pledge**  
10 **allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for**  
11 **which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for**  
12 **all."**

13 \* Sec. 2. AS 14.30.130 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

14           (b) A school district shall inform all affected persons at the school of their  
15 right not to participate in the pledge of allegiance. The exercise of the right not to

1 participate in the pledge of allegiance may not be used to evaluate a student or  
2 employee or for any other purpose.