

**CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 290(FIN)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/13/00

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to state funding for transportation of public school students;  
2 relating to a minimum amount of expenditures by school districts for  
3 instruction; determining the facilities constituting a school for purposes of public  
4 school funding; and providing for an effective date."

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

6 \* **Section 1.** AS 14.09.010(b) is amended to read:

7 (b) Except as otherwise provided in (d) of this section, a [A] school district  
8 that enters into a contract described under (a)(1) of this section shall be reimbursed for

9 (1) at least 90 percent of the cost of operating the student transportation  
10 system if the transportation is provided by the school district; and

11 (2) 100 percent of the cost of operating the student transportation system  
12 when the transportation is provided under a contract with the school district.

13 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 14.09.010(d) is repealed and reenacted to read:

14 (d) Transportation costs eligible for reimbursement under this section are

1 subject to the following adjustments:

2 (1) transportation costs may not exceed the amount received by the  
3 school district for student transportation reimbursement in state fiscal year 2001;

4 (2) costs resulting from new school facilities, an increase in enrollment,  
5 or costs incurred to meet a requirement imposed by state or federal law are exempt  
6 from the limit imposed under (d) of this subsection;

7 (3) the sum calculated under (1) of this subsection shall be increased  
8 for each state fiscal year following state fiscal year 2001 by the lesser of the following:

9 (A) four percent; or

10 (B) any increases in the Consumer Price Index for all urban  
11 consumers for the Anchorage metropolitan area compiled by the Bureau of  
12 Labor Statistics, United States Department of Labor; the index for January of  
13 2001 is the reference base index; and

14 (4) only 50 percent of those costs reimbursable under this section that  
15 are in excess of the sum calculated under (1) - (3) of this subsection shall be  
16 reimbursed to a school district.

17 \* **Sec. 3.** AS 14.17.520(f) is amended to read:

18 (f) In this section,

19 (1) "instructional component" **means** [INCLUDES] expenditures for  
20 teachers and [FOR] pupil support services, **but does not include expenditures for**  
21 **school administration or for principals, assistant principals, or other assistants**  
22 **employed to generally supervise administrative operations of a school;**

23 (2) **"school administration" means expenditures related to**  
24 **managing a school, including expenditures for supplies, materials, and travel.**

25 \* **Sec. 4.** AS 14.17.905 is amended to read:

26 **Sec. 14.17.905. Facilities constituting a school.** For purposes of this chapter,  
27 the determination of the number of schools in a district is subject to the following:

28 (1) a community with an ADM of at least 10, but not more than 100,  
29 shall be counted as one school;

30 (2) a community with an ADM of at least 101, but not more than **450**  
31 [750], shall be counted as

1 (A) one elementary school, which includes those students in  
2 grades kindergarten through six [6]; and

3 (B) one secondary school, which includes students in grades  
4 seven [7] through 12;

5 (3) in a community with an ADM of greater than 450 [750], each  
6 facility that is administered as a separate school shall be counted as one school, except  
7 that each alternative school with an ADM of less than 200 shall be counted as a part  
8 of the school in the district with the highest ADM.

9 \* **Sec. 5.** Sections 3 and 4 of this Act take effect July 1, 2000.

10 \* **Sec. 6.** Sections 1 and 2 of this Act take effect July 1, 2001.