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## AN ACT

Relating to school discipline and safety programs; and providing for an effective date.

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

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**Actual Effective Date:** July 1, 2001

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3 \* **Section 1.** AS 14.33.120(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) Each governing body shall adopt a written school disciplinary and safety  
5 program. The program required under this subsection must include written

6 (1) standards for student behavior and safety that reflect community  
7 standards and that include, at a minimum, basic requirements for respect and honesty;  
8 standards required under this paragraph must be developed and periodically reviewed  
9 with the collaboration of members of each school, parents, teachers, and other persons  
10 responsible for the students at a school; a governing body may require that standards  
11 developed under this paragraph be consistent for all schools in an attendance area or  
12 the district;

13 (2) standards relating to when a teacher is authorized to remove a  
14 student from the classroom for

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- 1 (A) failure to follow student behavior and safety standards; or  
2 (B) behavior described under AS 14.30.045(1) or (2);  
3 (3) procedures for notifying teachers of dangerous students consistent  
4 with AS 47.12.310(b);  
5 (4) standards relating to when a teacher, teacher's assistant, or other  
6 person responsible for students is authorized to use reasonable and appropriate force to  
7 maintain classroom safety and discipline as described under AS 11.81.430(a)(2);  
8 (5) policies necessary to comply with provisions of state and federal  
9 law, including 20 U.S.C. 1400 - 1485 (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act);  
10 (6) standards to address needs of students for whom mental health or  
11 substance abuse may be a contributing factor to noncompliance with the school  
12 disciplinary and safety program;  
13 (7) **policies for implementing a student conflict resolution strategy,**  
14 **including the nonviolent resolution or mediation of conflicts and procedures for**  
15 **reporting and resolving conflicts;**  
16 (8) procedures for periodic review and revision of the school  
17 disciplinary and safety program.

18 \* Sec. 2. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
19 read:

20 TRANSITION. A governing body of a school district shall amend the district's school  
21 disciplinary and safety program as required by sec. 1 of this Act by January 1, 2002.

22 \* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect July 1, 2001.