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**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 338(HES)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/1/04

Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES MCGUIRE, Kookesh

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to attendance at public school; and providing for an effective date."**

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

3 \* **Section 1.** AS 14.03.070 is amended to read:

4 **Sec. 14.03.070. School age.** A child who is six years of age **on or** before  
5 **September 1** [AUGUST 15] following the beginning of the school year, and who is  
6 under the age of 20 and has not completed the 12th grade, is of school age.

7 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 14.03.080(c) is amended to read:

8 (c) A child under school age may be admitted to **a** [THE] public school in the  
9 school district of which the child is a resident at the discretion of the governing body  
10 of the school district if the child meets minimum standards prescribed by the board  
11 evidencing that the child has the mental, physical, and emotional capacity to perform  
12 satisfactorily for the educational program being offered. A district's educational  
13 program must prescribe that under school age students advance through the curriculum  
14 or grade level by the following school year. **A governing body may delegate the**  
15 **authority granted under this subsection to the chief school administrator of the**

1           **school district.**

2       \* **Sec. 3.** AS 14.03.080(d) is amended to read:

3                   (d) A child who is five years of age **on or** before **September 1** [AUGUST 15]  
4           following the beginning of the school year, and who is under school age, may enter a  
5           public school kindergarten.

6       \* **Sec. 4.** This Act takes effect July 1, 2004.