

HOUSE BILL NO. 322

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE GARA

Introduced: 2/15/12

Referred: Education, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act providing for monetary bonuses for public school districts that hire or employ**
2 **principals who demonstrate high levels of achievement."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** AS 14.03 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 **Sec. 14.03.127. District bonus for high quality principals.** (a) The
6 department shall annually award to a school district in the state an incentive bonus of
7 not more than \$10,000, subject to the availability of funds, if the school district hires
8 as an applicant for public school principal or employs as a public school principal a
9 person who demonstrates the ability to maximize the academic achievement of
10 students, as determined by the school district and verified by the department. If
11 insufficient funding is available for all eligible bonuses under this section, the
12 department shall prioritize bonuses, giving the highest priority to school districts with
13 a school

14 (1) that has the lowest level of student achievement on standardized

- 1 test scores and other indicators approved by the department; and
- 2 (2) that enrolls students in kindergarten through at least grade six.
- 3 (b) In this section, "district" has the meaning given in AS 14.17.990.