

**HOUSE BILL NO. 162**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Introduced: 3/11/13

Referred: Education

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to tenure of public school teachers; and providing for an effective  
2 date."

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

4 \* **Section 1.** AS 14.20.147(b) is amended to read:

5 (b) When a school operated by a federal agency is transferred to or absorbed  
6 into a new or existing school district, the teachers shall also be transferred if mutually  
7 agreed by the teacher or teachers and the school board of the new or existing district.  
8 A teacher transferred from a federal agency school that does not have an official salary  
9 schedule or teacher tenure in the same manner as a public school district in the state  
10 shall be placed on a position on the salary schedule of the absorbing district; the salary  
11 may not be less than the teacher would have received in the federal agency school. If  
12 the teacher taught **five** [THREE] or more years in the federal agency school and, at the  
13 time of transfer, had a valid Alaska teaching certificate, that teacher shall be placed on  
14 tenure in the absorbing district.

1 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 14.20.150(a) is amended to read:

2 (a) Except as provided in (c) or (d) of this section, a teacher acquires tenure  
3 rights in a district when the teacher

4 (1) possesses a valid teaching certificate that authorizes the teacher to  
5 be employed as a certificated teacher or as an administrator under regulations adopted  
6 by the department;

7 (2) has been employed as a teacher in the same district continuously  
8 for five [THREE] full school years;

9 (3) receives, in the fifth [THIRD] year of any five-year [THREE-  
10 YEAR] period of continuous employment with the district, an evaluation under the  
11 district's evaluation system stating that the teacher's performance meets the district  
12 performance standards; and

13 (4) on or before October 15 of the school year,

14 (A) accepts a contract for employment as a teacher in the  
15 district for a sixth [FOURTH] consecutive school year; and

16 (B) performs a day of teaching services in the district during  
17 that school year.

18 \* **Sec. 3.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
19 read:

20 APPLICABILITY. Sections 1 and 2 of this Act apply to a contract or collective  
21 bargaining agreement that becomes legally binding on or after the effective date of secs. 1 and  
22 2 of this Act.

23 \* **Sec. 4.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).