

HOUSE BILL NO. 190

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Referred: Education

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act providing for course credit in secondary school based on demonstrated mastery**
2 **of the subject."**

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. 14.03.072. Secondary school course credit.** (a) A school district shall
6 provide the opportunity for students enrolled in a secondary school in the district to
7 challenge a course provided by the district by demonstrating mastery in the subject at
8 the level of the course challenged. A school district shall give full credit for a course to
9 a student who successfully challenges that course as provided under this section.

10 (b) A school district shall establish an assessment tool and a standard for
11 demonstrating mastery in secondary school courses provided by the district.

12 (c) In this section, "district" has the meaning given in AS 14.17.990.

13 *** Sec. 2.** AS 14.16.050(a) is amended to read:

14 (a) The following provisions apply with respect to the operation and

1 management of a state boarding school as if it were a school district:

2 (1) requirements relating to school district operations:

3 (A) AS 14.03.030 - 14.03.050 (defining the school term, day in
4 session, and school holidays);

5 (B) AS 14.03.072 and 14.03.083 - 14.03.140 [AS 14.03.083 -
6 14.03.140] (miscellaneous provisions applicable to school district operations);

7 (C) regulations adopted by the board under authority of
8 AS 14.07.020(a) that are applicable to school districts and their schools, unless
9 the board specifically exempts state boarding schools from compliance with a
10 regulation;

11 (D) AS 14.12.150 (authorizing school districts to establish and
12 participate in the services of a regional resource center);

13 (E) AS 14.14.050 (imposing the requirement of an annual
14 audit);

15 (F) AS 14.14.110 (authorizing cooperation with other school
16 districts);

17 (G) AS 14.14.140(b) (establishing a prohibition on
18 employment of a relative of the chief school administrator);

19 (H) AS 14.18 (prohibiting discrimination based on sex in
20 public education);

21 (2) requirements relating to the public school funding program and the
22 receipt and expenditure of that funding:

23 (A) AS 14.17.500 (relating to student count estimates);

24 (B) AS 14.17.505 (relating to school operating fund balances);

25 (C) AS 14.17.500 - 14.17.910 (setting out the procedure for
26 payment of public school funding and imposing general requirements and
27 limits on money paid);

28 (3) requirements relating to teacher employment and retirement:

29 (A) AS 14.14.105 and 14.14.107 (relating to sick leave);

30 (B) AS 14.20.095 - 14.20.215 (relating to the employment and
31 tenure of teachers);

1 (C) AS 14.20.220 (relating to the salaries of teachers
2 employed);

3 (D) AS 14.20.280 - 14.20.350 (relating to sabbatical leave
4 provisions for teachers);

5 (E) AS 23.40.070 - 23.40.260 (authorizing collective
6 bargaining by certificated employees), except with regard to teachers who are
7 administrators and except that the board may delegate some or all of its
8 responsibilities under those statutes;

9 (F) AS 14.25 (provisions regarding the teachers' retirement
10 system);

11 (4) requirements relating to students and educational programs:

12 (A) AS 14.30.180 - 14.30.350 (relating to educational services
13 for children with disabilities);

14 (B) AS 14.30.360 - 14.30.370 (establishing health education
15 program standards);

16 (C) AS 14.30.400 - 14.30.410 (relating to bilingual and
17 bicultural education).