

HOUSE BILL NO. 23

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Introduced: 1/21/15

Referred: Education, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to sexual abuse and sexual assault awareness and prevention efforts in**
2 **public schools."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section
5 to read:

6 SHORT TITLE. This Act may be known as Erin's Law.

7 *** Sec. 2.** AS 14.30 is amended by adding a new section to read:

8 **Article 6A. Sexual Abuse and Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention.**

9 **Sec. 14.30.355. Sexual abuse and sexual assault awareness and prevention.**

10 (a) The governing body of each school district shall adopt and implement a policy,
11 establish a mandatory training program for employees and students, and provide
12 parent, student, and staff notices relating to sexual abuse and sexual assault awareness
13 and prevention for students enrolled in grades kindergarten through 12.

14 (b) The policy, training, and notices under this section must include

- 1 (1) age-appropriate information;
- 2 (2) warning signs of sexual abuse of a child;
- 3 (3) referral and resource information;
- 4 (4) available student counseling and educational support;
- 5 (5) methods for increasing teacher, student, and parent awareness of
- 6 issues regarding sexual abuse of children;
- 7 (6) actions that a child may take to prevent and report sexual abuse or
- 8 sexual assault.
- 9 (c) In this section, "school district" has the meaning given in AS 14.30.350.