



AMENDMENT #27 *curright*

OFFERED IN THE HOUSE
TO: CSSB 140(FIN)

1 Page 1, line 1, following "districts;": *(title amendment)*

2 Insert "relating to charter schools; relating to transportation of public school
3 students; relating to correspondence study funding; relating to the base student
4 allocation; relating to funding for reading improvement plans;"

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6 Page 1, following line 3:

7 Insert a new bill section to read:

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

10 LEGISLATIVE INTENT. To the greatest extent possible, a portion of additional
11 funds authorized by this legislation shall be directed to the classroom in the form of educator
12 salary and retention bonuses. Each school district shall provide a report to the senate secretary
13 and the chief clerk of the house of representatives and notify the legislature that the report is
14 available not later than February 1 of each regular session of the Thirty-Fourth Alaska State
15 Legislature describing efforts made by the district to direct additional funds to the classroom
16 in the form of educator salary and retention bonuses."

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18 Page 1, line 4:

19 Delete "Section 1"

20 Insert "Sec. 2"

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22 Renumber the following bill section accordingly.

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1 Page 1, line 10:

2 Delete all material and insert:

3 **"* Sec. 3.** AS 14.03 is amended by adding a new section to read:

4 **Sec. 14.03.256. Charter school termination appeal.** If a local school board
5 terminates a contract with a charter school, the charter school may appeal the decision
6 to the commissioner under regulations established by the commissioner. The
7 commissioner may request written supplementation from the appellant or local school
8 board. The commissioner shall review the decision of the local school board to
9 determine whether the findings of fact are supported by substantial evidence and
10 whether the decision is contrary to law. The commissioner shall issue a written
11 decision within 90 days after the appeal is filed and may

12 (1) remand the appeal to the local school board for further review;

13 (2) reapprove the charter school with or without added conditions; or

14 (3) uphold the decision terminating the charter school.

15 *** Sec. 4.** AS 14.03 is amended by adding a new section to read:

16 **Sec. 14.03.277. Charter school coordinator.** A position dedicated to charter
17 school support is established in the department. This position is responsible for the
18 development of a repository of charter school resources in the department. The charter
19 school coordinator shall provide support to charter schools, including

20 (1) providing charter schools with policy and regulation expertise and
21 guidance;

22 (2) providing groups assistance preparing charter school applications;

23 (3) coordinating with school districts and the Association of Alaska
24 School Boards to support charter school academic policy committees and local school
25 boards; and

26 (4) coordinating with and providing expertise to legal services
27 provided by the state.

28 *** Sec. 5.** AS 14.09.010(a) is repealed and reenacted to read:

29 (a) A school district that provides student transportation services for the
30 transportation of students who reside a distance from established schools is eligible to
31 receive funding for operating or subcontracting the operation of the transportation

1 system for students to and from the schools within the student's transportation service
 2 area. Subject to appropriation, the amount of funding provided by the state for
 3 operating the student transportation system is the amount of a school district's ADM,
 4 less the ADM for the district's correspondence programs during the current fiscal year,
 5 multiplied by the per student amount for the school district as follows, for the school
 6 years beginning July 1, ~~2023~~

7	DISTRICT ²⁰²⁴	PER STUDENT AMOUNT
8	Alaska Gateway	\$2,536
9	Aleutians East	378
10	Anchorage	531
11	Annette Island	222
12	Bering Strait	60
13	Bristol Bay	3,257
14	Chatham	342
15	Copper River	1,934
16	Cordova	409
17	Craig	515
18	Delta/Greely	2,019
19	Denali	2,203
20	Dillingham	1,484
21	Fairbanks	995
22	Galena	310
23	Haines	763
24	Hoonah	364
25	Iditarod	258
26	Juneau	735
27	Kake	331
28	Kashunamiut	6
29	Kenai Peninsula	1,115
30	Ketchikan	886
31	Klawock	712

1	Kodiak Island	974
2	Kuspuk	797
3	Lake and Peninsula	468
4	Lower Kuskokwim	338
5	Lower Yukon	1
6	Matanuska-Susitna	1,109
7	Nenana	716
8	Nome	757
9	North Slope	1,365
10	Northwest Arctic	30
11	Pelican	88
12	Petersburg	457
13	Saint Mary's	235
14	Sitka	522
15	Skagway	44
16	Southeast Island	1,408
17	Southwest Region	728
18	Tanana	581
19	Unalaska	790
20	Valdez	897
21	Wrangell	854
22	Yakutat	907
23	Yukon Flats	322
24	Yukon/Koyukuk	365
25	Yupiit	2.

26 * **Sec. 6.** AS 14.17.430 is amended to read:

27 **Sec. 14.17.430. State funding for correspondence study.** Except as provided
28 in AS 14.17.400(b), funding for the state centralized correspondence study program or
29 a district correspondence program, including a district that offers a statewide
30 correspondence study program, includes an allocation from the public education fund
31 in an amount calculated by using [MULTIPLYING] the ADM of the correspondence

1 program reported under AS 14.17.500(a) and 14.17.600(a) [BY 90 PERCENT].

2 * **Sec. 7.** AS 14.17.470 is amended to read:

3 **Sec. 14.17.470. Base student allocation.** The base student allocation is \$6,640
4 [\$5,960].

5 * **Sec. 8.** AS 14.30 is amended by adding a new section to article 15 to read:

6 **Sec. 14.30.773. Support for reading improvement plans.** The state shall
7 provide to a school district, for each student in grades kindergarten through three who
8 is determined to have a reading deficiency based on the statewide screening or
9 assessment tool, \$500 to provide the support, intervention, and services the student
10 needs for the student's reading improvement plan, including teacher and
11 paraprofessional career development.

12 * **Sec. 9.** Section 2 of this Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

13 * **Sec. 10.** Except as provided in sec. 9 of this Act, this Act takes effect July 1, 2024."