

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 400(FIN)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 5/14/24

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to correspondence study programs; relating to allotments for**
2 **correspondence study programs; and providing for an effective date."**

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 INDIVIDUAL LEARNING PLANS; STUDENT ALLOTMENTS. (a)
7 Notwithstanding AS 14.03.300 or 14.03.310, the department or a district that provides a
8 homeschool or correspondence study program shall annually provide an individual learning
9 plan for each student enrolled in the program developed in collaboration with the student, the
10 parent or guardian of the student, a certificated teacher assigned to the student, and other
11 individuals involved in the student's learning plan.

12 (b) The board shall adopt regulations establishing standards for individual learning
13 plans. The regulations must require that an individual learning plan

14 (1) provide a course of study appropriate to the student's grade level and

1 consistent with state and district standards;

2 (2) incorporate an ongoing assessment plan that includes statewide
3 assessments required for public schools under AS 14.03.123(f);

4 (3) include provisions for modifying an individual learning plan if the student
5 is below proficient on a standardized assessment in a core subject;

6 (4) provide for quarterly monitoring of a student's work and progress by the
7 certificated teacher assigned to the student.

8 (c) The department or a district that provides a homeschool or correspondence study
9 program may provide an annual student allotment to a parent or guardian of a student enrolled
10 in the homeschool or correspondence study program. A parent or guardian may use the
11 allotment only for implementation of the student's individual learning plan.

12 (d) The board shall adopt regulations to implement this section consistent with art.
13 VII, sec. 1, of the Constitution of the State of Alaska.

14 (e) The department shall monitor the use of allotments distributed under this section.

15 (f) In this section,

16 (1) "board" means the state Board of Education and Early Development;

17 (2) "department" means the Department of Education and Early Development;

18 (3) "district" has the meaning given in AS 14.17.990.

19 * **Sec. 2.** Section 1 of this Act is repealed July 1, 2025.

20 * **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect July 1, 2024.