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IN THE HOUSE

BY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

HOUSE BILL NO. 134

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST SESSION

A BILL

*Sub-section 12 of*

For an Act entitled: "An Act to amend Section 37-2-8 ACLA 1949, as amended by Ch. 72, Session Laws of Alaska, 1951, authorizing the Territorial Board of Education to discontinue the operation of certain rural schools; and establishing an effective date."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA:

Section 1. <sup>*Sub-section 12 of*</sup> Section 37-2-8 Alaska Compiled Laws Annotated, 1949, as amended by Chapter 72, Session Laws of Alaska 1951, is hereby amended to read as follows:

(12) The Territorial Board of Education is hereby authorized to discontinue the operation and maintenance of any school in any unincorporated town, village or settlement when (IN THE JUDGMENT OF THE BOARD THE SCHOOL ENROLLMENT IS LARGE ENOUGH AND THE COMMUNITY FINANCIALLY ABLE TO PARTIALLY SUPPORT ITS OWN SCHOOL AS AN ORGANIZED SCHOOL DISTRICT UNDER THE LAWS FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION) the enrollment of said school reaches one hundred children in regular attendance except where the petition to incorporate said community into an incorporated town or city, incorporated school district or independent school district has been presented to the Judge of the United States District Court of the Judicial Division in which the school is located. Before closing a school, the Terri-

1           torial Board of Education shall give<sup>h</sup> general notice to  
2           the community or area affected on or before March first  
3           in any school year, in such manner and form as the Board  
4           shall determine; provided, however, that such school shall  
5           be operated by the Board of Education until the July first  
6           following such notice, (COMMUNITY SHALL BE ENTITLED TO AT  
7           LEAST SIX MONTHS NOTICE PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF AN ENSUING  
8           SCHOOL YEAR TO ENABLE THE LOCAL POPULACE TO FORM AN IN-  
9           CORPORATED TOWN OR CITY, INCORPORATED SCHOOL DISTRICT, OR  
10          AN INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN TIME TO PROVIDE ITS OWN  
11          SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR SUCH ENSUING YEAR UNDER THE TERRITORIAL  
12          SCHOOL MAINTENANCE REFUND SYSTEM,) pursuant to which the  
13          Board shall convey existing school structures and facilities  
14          in said areas to such incorporated city or town, incorporated  
15          school district, or independent school district.

16          Section 2. This Act shall become effective July 1, 1953.

17 *Passed 3/1/53*