

1 IN THE HOUSE BY MR. PARSONS

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 23  
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to a study on special  
6 education.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE IN SECOND LEGISLATURE, FIRST SESSION  
8 ASSEMBLED, THE SENATE CONCURRING:

9 WHEREAS, the Legislature now has before it House Bill No. 150  
10 relating to evaluation and training of pre-school and trainable  
11 exceptional children; and

12 WHEREAS, this proposal and Ch. 120, SLA 1959, also relating  
13 to exceptional children, should be considered together and made  
14 part of a comprehensive survey of the needs of the state in the  
15 field of special education for exceptional children;

16 BE IT RESOLVED by the House in Second Legislature, First  
17 Session assembled, the Senate concurring, that the Governor is  
18 respectfully urged to direct the Department of Health and Welfare  
19 and the Department of Education to coordinate in the hiring,  
20 through appropriated funds or grants, an expert or experts in the  
21 field of training and education for exceptional children to  
22 accomplish a study of the state's needs in this field including  
23 the following:

24 (1) Recommendations regarding pre-school education and  
25 training, evaluation, state aid, community programs, and the state  
26 department to be responsible for such a program.

27 (2) Recommendations for a state school for "trainable"  
28 children; a day school or a residence school.

29 (3) Recommendations for special education programs for

1 school-age exceptional children, including proposals for state  
2 support and reimbursement for such programs, teaching standards,  
3 and prerequisites of teachers; and be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Health and Welfare,  
5 with the Department of Education, submit their joint report with  
6 recommendations to the Legislative Council on or by November 1,  
7 1961, in order that the report and recommendations may be reviewed  
8 by the Legislative Council and appropriate legislation prepared  
9 for submission by the Council to the Legislature for its con-  
10 sideration in January 1962.

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