

1 IN THE SENATE BY SENATOR SMITH

2 SENATE BILL NO. 241

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing school safety patrols."

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

8 \* Section 1. AS 14 is amended by adding a new chapter to  
9 read:

10 CHAPTER 33. PUPIL SAFETY.

11 ARTICLE 1. SCHOOL SAFETY PATROLS.

12 Sec. 14.33.010. REQUIREMENT FOR SCHOOL SAFETY PATROLS.

13 The department, for the benefit of state-operated schools, or  
14 the board of a school district may require that school safety  
15 patrols be established to assist pupils to cross streets and  
16 highways adjacent to public schools in safety.

17 Sec. 14.33.020. ORGANIZATION OF A PATROL. (a) If the  
18 department or a school board determines that a safety patrol  
19 should be established for a school, the principal of the  
20 school shall appoint pupils in the school to serve as members  
21 of the patrol.

22 (b) A pupil shall not be appointed a patrol member  
23 unless

24 (1) he is 12 years of age or older, and

25 (2) his parents or guardian give written consent  
26 to his membership in the patrol.

27 (c) The principal shall designate a teacher or teachers  
28 in the school to supervise the operation of the patrol.

29 (d) The principal shall consult with the local law

1 enforcement authority to determine those locations adjacent  
2 to the school where the patrol may be most advantageously  
3 used.

4 Sec. 14.33.030. DUTIES OF A PATROL. (a) Patrol  
5 members shall

6 (1) encourage pupils to refrain from crossing  
7 streets and highways at other than regular crossings;

8 (2) direct pupils not to cross streets and high-  
9 ways when the presence of traffic renders crossing unsafe;

10 (3) when directed, assist pupils to safely board  
11 or leave school buses.

12 (b) A patrol member shall not, under any circumstances,  
13 be permitted to direct vehicular traffic or be stationed in  
14 a street or highway while performing his duties.

15 Sec. 14.33.040. GUIDANCE FOR PATROLS. The commissioner  
16 shall, after consulting with the commissioner of public  
17 safety, promulgate standards to guide patrol members in the  
18 conduct of their duties, and shall specify appropriate  
19 insignia to be worn by patrol members while on duty.

20 Sec. 14.33.050. COOPERATION WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT  
21 AUTHORITIES. The state police or the police department of a  
22 political subdivision of the state may, upon request by the  
23 department or a school board, assist in the training and  
24 control of safety patrols.

25 Sec. 14.33.060. IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY. A school  
26 board, principal, teacher, patrol member, or parent or  
27 guardian of a patrol member is immune from liability which  
28 might otherwise be incurred as a result of an injury caused  
29 by an act, or the failure to act, on the part of a patrol

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- 1            **member while on duty.**
- 2            **\* Sec. 2. AS 28.05.060 is repealed.**
- 3            **\* Sec. 3. AS 28.35.240 is repealed.**
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