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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 490

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing a program of state aid for  
7 school construction within borough and city school  
8 districts; and providing for an effective date."

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

10 \* Section 1. PURPOSE. The legislature intends by this Act to insure  
11 that local school districts can provide for at least minimum construction  
12 needs so as to insure an adequate level of education for public elementary  
13 and secondary students of the district. The legislature contemplates that  
14 districts, consistently with their resources, will expend funds to augment  
15 the basic program of school construction aid authorized under this Act.

16 \* Sec. 2. AS 43.18 is amended by adding a new section to read:

17 ARTICLE 2. SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION AID.

18 Sec. 43.18.100. STATE AID FOR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION. (a) There is  
19 in the department a school construction grant fund. Funds appropriated  
20 by the legislature for school construction aid under this section shall  
21 be deposited in the fund.

22 (b) Within the limits of state appropriations available for the  
23 purpose, an organized borough or a city which is a school district is  
24 entitled to state aid to be used solely for costs of school construc-  
25 tion incurred after September 10, 1969, in accordance with the following  
26 formula and other provisions of this section:

27 Maximum Average Daily Membership  
28 of School Receiving State  
29 Construction Aid

Total Allowable Area  
of School Receiving  
State Construction Aid

(to nearest maximum)

(in square feet)

(1) Secondary Schools

100	21,667
200	29,492
300	38,614
400	46,576
500	58,853
600	68,612
800	93,614
1,000	112,950
Multiples of 100 over 1,000	112,950 plus 11,295 for each multiple of 100 in ADM

(2) Elementary Schools

20	1,404
40	3,361
100	6,840
150	13,156
200	16,792
250	22,070
300	25,328
350	28,046
400	31,520
450	34,007
500	40,684
550	43,674
600	46,660
Multiples of 50 over 600	46,660 plus 4,666 for each multiple of 100 in ADM

(c) The department shall provide by regulation for cost schedules

1 showing fair costs of school construction per square foot prevailing  
2 in each district and shall determine the authorized payment to districts  
3 by multiplying the allowable area in square feet by the prevailing fair  
4 costs of construction per square foot. The department shall prescribe  
5 by regulation the time of payment of the sum allocated to a district  
6 and shall require an accounting of money allocated in a form and at  
7 such times as the department determines. The department may adopt  
8 other regulations necessary to administer the aid program.

9 (d) School aid authorized under this section shall not be allo-  
10 cated for costs of school construction for which bond, note or other  
11 indebtedness has been issued or incurred and qualifies for payment or  
12 reimbursement from the omnibus bond redemption fund established under  
13 AS 37.35.

14 (e) School aid authorized under this section shall not be allo-  
15 cated for replacement of an existing school unless

16 (1) the school is condemned for reasons of health or safety  
17 by the state; or

18 (2) the department, under regulations submitted to the legis-  
19 lature for its rejection or approval at least 30 days before taking  
20 effect, authorizes for other reasons aid for replacement of an existing  
21 school.

22 (f) The department shall not make payment of aid authorized under  
23 this section unless a district applying for aid submits evidence satis-  
24 factory to the department that the average daily membership projected  
25 for occupancy of a school for which aid is sought will occur within the  
26 time projected for such occupancy.

27 (g) Nothing in this section prevents a borough or city which is  
28 a school district from providing for school construction in excess of  
29 the allowable space or state aid limits of this section.

1 (h) The department shall provide an annual report to the legis-  
2 lature respecting grants made under this section.

3 (i) In this section

4 (1) "costs of school construction" means the cost of initial-  
5 ly acquiring, constructing, equipping and furnishing public elementary  
6 or secondary schools, whether as independent structures or addition of  
7 schools to existing schools; the term includes but is not limited to  
8 legal, engineering, fiscal, architectural and other fees of specialists  
9 or consultants and building costs for labor, materials, equipment and  
10 supplies, but excludes costs of acquisition of sites for schools and  
11 costs of retirement of principal and interest of bonds, notes or other  
12 indebtedness issued or incurred for school purposes;

13 (2) "department" means the Department of Education.

14 \* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect July 1, 1970.  
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