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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 721

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to compulsory education."

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

8 \* Section 1. AS 14.30.010(b)(7) is amended to read:

9 (7) resides more than two miles from either a public school  
10 or a route on which transportation is provided by the school authorities,  
11 subject to the provisions of sec. 15 of this chapter, except that this  
12 subsection does not apply if the pupil resides within two miles of a  
13 federal or private school which he is eligible and able to attend;

14 \* Sec. 2. AS 14.30 is amended by adding a new section to read:

15 Sec. 14.30.015. CORRESPONDENCE PROGRAM. (a) A child between  
16 the ages of 7 and 16 years who is exempted from compulsory public  
17 school attendance on the basis of sec. 10(b)(7) of this chapter shall,  
18 in lieu of attendance, pursue a program of education by correspondence  
19 courses established or approved by the Department of Education.

20 (b) The Department of Education shall establish a program of  
21 correspondence courses designed to provide, as nearly as practicable,  
22 an academic education comparable to the course of study offered by the  
23 public schools.

24 (c) School districts having students pursuing education through  
25 a correspondence program under (a) of this section shall provide  
26 teachers who shall meet with each student on a regular basis, not less  
27 than once a week, to provide assistance and instruction to the student.  
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