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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 129

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for a state financed system of
7 public schools."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 14.12.020(c) is amended to read:

10 (c) The legislature shall provide the state money necessary to
11 maintain and operate the state public school system [STATE-OPERATED
12 SCHOOL DISTRICT. THE BOROUGH ASSEMBLY FOR A BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT,
13 AND THE CITY COUNCIL FOR A CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, SHALL PROVIDE THE
14 MONEY WHICH MUST BE RAISED FROM LOCAL SOURCES TO MAINTAIN AND OPERATE
15 THE DISTRICT].

16 * Sec. 2. AS 14.17.021(a) is amended to read:

17 (a) The amount of state aid for which each school district may
18 qualify shall be its [IS CALCULATED BY MULTIPLYING THE] basic need as
19 defined in (b) of this section [BY THE EQUALIZED PERCENTAGE AS DEFINED
20 IN (c) OF THIS SECTION].

21 * Sec. 3. AS 14.17.061(a) is amended to read:

22 (a) In addition to the amounts authorized to be paid to school
23 districts under this chapter, funding of supplemental programs [, ON
24 THE SAME BASIS AS DETERMINED IN THE COMPUTATION OF STATE AID FOR THE
25 APPLICABLE DISTRICT,] may be recommended by the commissioner.

26 * Sec. 4. AS 14.17.220 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

27 (b) In providing educational services and facilities beyond those
28 paid for by the foundation program, the school district may not levy
29 an ad valorem property tax on real or personal property for school

1 purposes, but may use funds from any other tax within the municipality's
2 taxing authority.

3 * Sec. 5. AS 14.30.295(b) is repealed and re-enacted to read:

4 (b) If a school district or the state director, if a state-
5 operated school, approves the enrollment of an exceptional child in
6 an out-of-state institution approved by the commissioner, and the
7 child is enrolled in the institution, the child's education expenses
8 shall be paid as follows:

9 (1) the board of state-operated schools shall pay the
10 annual cost of the child's education, but not to exceed \$6,000;

11 (2) the parent or guardian shall pay the remainder of the
12 cost unless the school board or the state director, if a state-operated
13 school, determines upon the basis of standards set by the commissioner
14 of education in cooperation with the Department of Health and Social
15 Services, that the parent or guardian is unable to pay all or part of
16 the remainder of the cost; the board of the state-operated schools
17 shall pay the remainder of the cost which the parent or guardian is
18 unable to pay.

19 * Sec. 6. AS 35.05.010 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

20 (b) The department shall be responsible for the planning and
21 construction of schools in city, borough and state-operated school
22 districts. The department shall determine the location of school
23 buildings within a district with due consideration of the recommenda-
24 tions of the school district. The local school district, in cooperation
25 with the commissioner of education, is responsible for the design
26 criteria of school buildings, subject to the approval of the department.

27 * Sec. 7. AS 35.10.010 is amended to read:

28 Sec. 35.10.010. STANDARD PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND LIMITATION
29 ON COST. The department shall prepare and adopt plans and specifications

1 and determine standards for the construction of each public work. Each
2 public work shall be limited in cost to the amount of the appropriation
3 made for that purpose. The plans and specifications may be amended
4 from time to time as the department considers advisable. This section
5 does not apply [TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS IN INCORPORATED
6 CITIES, UNLESS THE CONSTRUCTION IS DONE IN WHOLE OR IN PART WITH STATE
7 FUNDS, OR] to the construction of school buildings when the construction
8 amounts to less than \$2,000.

9 * Sec. 8. AS 43.18.030(b) is amended to read:

10 (b) The governing body shall furnish the following notice with
11 tax statements mailed for the fiscal year for which aid is received
12 under this chapter:

13 "NOTICE TO TAXPAYER

14 For the current fiscal year the (city) (borough) has been allocated
15 the following amount of state aid for [SCHOOL AND] municipal purposes
16 under [THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION PROGRAM (ALASKA STATUTES 14.17)
17 AND] the revenue-sharing provisions of Alaska Statutes 43.18:

18 [SCHOOL AID \$]
19 AID BASED ON MUNICIPAL SERVICES FURNISHED \$
20 (fire protection, police protection, air or water pollution
21 control, land use planning, road maintenance, parks and
22 recreation, transportation facilities and services,
23 hospital operation)

24 Total Aid \$

25 The millage equivalent of this state aid, based on the present
26 dollar value of a mill in the municipality, ismills."

27 * Sec. 9. AS 43.18.100(a) is amended to read:

28 (a) During each fiscal year the state shall allocate to an
29 organized borough or a city which is a school district [ONE-HALF OF]

1 the following sums, exclusive of any funds received from state or
2 federal sources for school construction costs:

3 (1) payments made by the borough or city during the fiscal
4 year two years prior for the retirement of principal and interest on
5 bonds, notes, or other indebtedness incurred to pay costs of school
6 construction;

7 (2) the amount of payments that would have been expended by
8 a borough or city two years prior for the retirement of principal and
9 interest on bonds, notes, or other indebtedness incurred to pay costs
10 of school construction had the borough or city issued bonds, notes, or
11 other indebtedness of 10 years duration bearing interest at the rate
12 of six per cent a year to finance the costs rather than paying those
13 costs through taxes or other local sources.

14 * Sec. 10. The following laws are repealed: AS 14.17.021(c), 14.17.071,
15 14.17.140, 14.17.210, 14.17.215, 14.17.230, 14.17.240, and 14.17.250(11).
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