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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY
REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 CS HOUSE BILL NO. 254

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to administration of the program of
7 aid for exceptional children; and providing for an
8 effective date."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 14 is amended by adding new sections to read:

11 Sec. 14.30.360. ASSISTANCE AUTHORIZED. The Department of
12 Education may provide professional guidance and financial assistance
13 to organized groups of parents according to standards and regulations
14 devised by the department for providing special services, evaluation
15 and special training required by exceptional children who are educable
16 or trainable but physically or mentally retarded.

17 Sec. 14.30.365. STANDARDS FOR ASSISTANCE. The department shall
18 assist organized parental groups which have requested assistance and
19 have arranged for the necessary facilities and equipment for training
20 centers for five or more exceptional children. The department shall
21 restrict its assistance to evaluation, professional guidance and re-
22 cruitment and payment of specialized teachers.

23 Sec. 14.30.370. APPROPRIATIONS. Appropriations to carry out the
24 purposes of this chapter shall be made to the Department of Education.

25 Sec. 14.30.375. PURPOSE. The purpose of this chapter is to pro-
26 vide assistance to groups of parents organized to accomplish the eval-
27 uation and special training for the exceptional children of the state
28 who do not come within laws relating to education or training because
29 of their age or severity of handicap.

1 Sec. 14.30.380. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter

2 (1) "exceptional children" includes physically handicapped
3 children and mentally retarded educable and trainable children;

4 (2) "evaluation" means the physical and mental examinations
5 necessary to determine the extent of the handicap;

6 (3) "educable mentally retarded children" includes children
7 who are capable of some academic learning over an extended period of
8 time;

9 (4) "special service" means evaluation and special training;

10 (5) "special training" means (A) nursery or pre-school
11 training to compensate for the special handicaps of exceptional
12 children in order to prepare them, when possible, for admission to
13 special classes in a regular school at the age determined by law, or
14 (B) training in self-help skills, safety, social and simple occupational
15 skills for trainable mentally retarded children of school age who are
16 incapable of academic subjects;

17 (6) "trainable mentally retarded children" includes children
18 who are not capable of academic learning but can be taught self-help
19 skills, safety, handicrafts, household tasks and simple occupational
20 skills.

21 * Sec. 2. AS 47.20.010 - 050 are repealed.

22 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect July 1, 1973.