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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 27

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 the transportation of pupils; and
7 providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 14.09.020 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 14.09.020. TRANSPORTATION FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS.

11 (a) In those places in the state where the department or a school
12 district provides transportation for children attending public schools,
13 the department also shall provide transportation for children who, in
14 compliance with the provisions of ch. 30 of this title, attend nonpublic
15 schools which are administered in compliance with state law where the
16 children, in order to reach the nonpublic schools, must travel distances
17 [COMPARABLE TO, AND] over routes the same as [,] the distances and
18 routes over which the children attending public schools are transported.
19 The commissioner shall administer this nonpublic school student trans-
20 portation program, integrating it into existing systems [AS MUCH AS
21 FEASIBLE], and the cost of the program shall be paid from funds appro-
22 priated for that purpose by the legislature. Under this section,
23 existing school transportation routes, or routes required for new
24 public schools, shall be used, and no new routes may be established
25 solely to transport children attending nonpublic schools employing
26 funds appropriated by the legislature. However, nothing in this sec-
27 tion prevents either the acquisition of, or the contracting for,
28 additional equipment for use on an existing school transportation route
29 to accommodate those nonpublic school children required to be

1 transported under this section.

2 (b) In (a) of this section

3 (1) "nonpublic schools" means schools established by an
4 agency other than the state or its political subdivisions which are
5 primarily supported by other than public funds, the operation of whose
6 program rests with other than publicly elected or appointed officials,
7 which offers grades kindergarten through 12, or any combination of
8 them, whose school day in session is equal to that required by AS 14.-
9 03.040, which is required to make attendance and annual reports under
10 AS 14.45.030, and is state approved or accredited;

11 (2) "school transportation route" means that portion of a
12 street, road or highway traveled by one or more public school buses
13 for the purpose of picking up and discharging public school students.

14 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval
15 or on the day it becomes law without approval.
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