

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY SULLIVAN BY REQUEST

2 SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 419

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

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

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

8 \* Section 1. AS 14.30 is amended by adding new sections to read:

9 ARTICLE 4. HEALTH EDUCATION.

10 Sec. 14.30.360. CURRICULUM. (a) Each district in the state  
11 public school system shall be encouraged to initiate and conduct a  
12 program in health education for kindergarten through 12th grade. The  
13 program should include instruction in physical health, dental health,  
14 family health, environmental health, and appropriate use of health  
15 services.

16 (b) The state Board of Education shall establish by regulation  
17 guidelines for a health education program. A school health education  
18 specialist position shall be established and funded in the Department of  
19 Education to coordinate the program statewide. Adequate funds to enable  
20 curriculum and resource development, adequate consultation to school  
21 districts, and a program of teacher training in health education shall  
22 be provided.

23 Sec. 14.30.370. EVALUATION. Health education programs conducted  
24 under sec. 360 of this chapter shall be evaluated by the Department of  
25 Education in the same manner as other curriculum programs are evaluated,  
26 except that the evaluation shall also include changes in the health  
27 status of the pupils as determined by physical and dental examinations  
28 conducted under secs. 70 and 120 of this chapter.  
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