

1 IN THE SENATE

BY HUBER

2 SENATE BILL NO. 17

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing by general law for the establishment  
7 and maintenance of a state financed system of public  
8 schools; and providing for an effective date."

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

28 (b) In providing educational services and facilities beyond those  
29 paid for by the foundation program, the public school district may not

1 levy an ad valorem property tax on real or personal property for school  
2 purposes, but may use funds from any other tax within the local govern-  
3 ment's taxing authority.

4 \* Sec. 5. AS 35.05.010 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (b) The department is responsible for the planning and constructing  
6 of schools in city, borough and state-operated school districts. The  
7 department shall determine the location of school buildings within a  
8 district giving due consideration to the recommendations of the school  
9 district. The local school district, in cooperation with the commissioner  
10 of education, is responsible for the design criteria of school buildings,  
11 subject to the approval of the department.

12 \* Sec. 6. AS 35.10.010 is amended to read:

13 Sec. 35.10.010. STANDARD PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND LIMITATION ON  
14 COST. The department shall prepare and adopt plans and specifications  
15 and determine standards for the construction of each public work. Each  
16 public work shall be limited in cost to the amount of the appropriation  
17 made for that purpose. The plans and specifications may be amended from  
18 time to time as the department considers advisable. This section does  
19 not apply [TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS IN INCORPORATED CITIES,  
20 UNLESS THE CONSTRUCTION IS DONE IN WHOLE OR IN PART WITH STATE FUNDS, OR]  
21 to the construction of school buildings when the construction amounts to  
22 less than \$2,000.

23 \* Sec. 7. AS 43.18.030(b) is amended to read:

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

27 "NOTICE TO TAXPAYER

28 For the current fiscal year the (city) (borough) has been allocated  
29 the following amount of state aid for [SCHOOL AND] municipal purposes

1 under [THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FOUNDATION PROGRAM (ALASKA STATUTES 14.17) AND]  
2 the revenue-sharing provisions of Alaska Statutes 43.18:

3 [SCHOOL AID \$ ]  
4 AID BASED ON MUNICIPAL SERVICES FURNISHED \$  
5 (fire protection, police protection, air or water pollution  
6 control, land use planning, road maintenance, parks and  
7 recreation, transportation facilities and services,  
8 hospital operation)

9 Total Aid \$

10 The millage equivalent of this state aid, based on the present  
11 dollar value of a mill in the municipality, is ..... mills."

12 \* Sec. 8. AS 43.18.100(a) is amended to read:

13 (a) During each fiscal year the state shall allocate to an organized  
14 borough or a city which is a school district [ONE-HALF, OR IF SCHOOL  
15 CONSTRUCTION IS FOR VOCATIONAL EDUCATION FACILITIES AS DETERMINED BY THE  
16 COMMISSIONER THREE-QUARTERS, OF] the following sums:

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

21 (2) the amount of payments that would have been expended by a  
22 borough or city two years prior for the retirement of principal and  
23 interest on bonds, notes, or other indebtedness incurred to pay costs  
24 of school construction had the borough or city issued bonds, notes, or  
25 other indebtedness of 10 years duration bearing interest at the rate of  
26 six per cent a year to finance the costs rather than paying those costs  
27 through taxes or other local sources;

28 (3) cash payments made by the borough or city during the  
29 fiscal year two years earlier to pay costs of school construction.

1 \* Sec. 9. The following laws are repealed: AS 14.17.021(c), 14.17.017,  
2 14.17.140, 14.17.210, 14.17.215, 14.17.230, 14.17.240, 14.17.250(11).

3 \* Sec. 10. This Act takes effect July 1, 1975.  
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