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BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 83

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH 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. (a)

11 In those places in the state where the department or a school district
12 provides transportation for children attending public schools, the
13 department also shall provide transportation for children who, in com-
14 pliance 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 routes
18 over which the children attending public schools are transported. The
19 commissioner shall administer this nonpublic school student transporta-
20 tion program, integrating it into existing systems as much as feasible,
21 and the cost of the program shall be paid from funds appropriated for
22 that purpose by the legislature. Under this section, existing school
23 transportation routes, or routes required for new public schools, shall
24 be used, and no new routes may be established solely to transport
25 children attending nonpublic schools employing funds appropriated by
26 the legislature.

27 (b) In (a) of this section

28 (1) "nonpublic schools" means schools established by an
29 agency other than the state or its political subdivisions which are

1 primarily supported by other than public funds, the operation of whose
2 program rests with other than publicly elected or appointed officials,
3 which offers grades kindergarten through 12, or any combination of them,
4 whose school day in session is equal to that required by AS 14.03.040,
5 which is required to make attendance and annual reports under AS 14.45.-
6 030, and is state approved or accredited;

7 (2) "school transportation route" means that portion of a
8 street, road or highway traveled by a public school bus for the purpose
9 of picking up and discharging public school students.
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