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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 212
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to state aid for schools; and pro-
7 viding for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 14.08.121(a) is amended to read:

10 (a) The legislature shall fund the operational costs of the
11 regional educational attendance area schools in the following manner:

12 (1) the amount of basic need as defined in AS 14.17.021(b),
13 reduced by deducting, to the maximum extent permitted under sec. 5(d)(2)
14 of P.L. 81-874, as amended, (20 U.S.C. 240(d)) and the regulations
15 adopted under it (45 C.F.R. 115.60 - 115.66), the amount of the regional
16 educational attendance area's entitlement to federal financial assis-
17 tance under P.L. 81-874, as amended, (20 U.S.C. 236 - 244) for the prior
18 fiscal year; and

19 (2) an additional amount equal to the average local tax con-
20 tributions per pupil in average daily membership (ADM) for school
21 operating costs in the city and borough school districts in the prior
22 fiscal year.

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

24 (a) The amount of state aid for which each school district may
25 qualify is calculated by multiplying the basic need as defined in (b)
26 of this section by the equalized percentage as defined in (c) of this
27 section. To the maximum extent permitted under sec. 5(d)(2) of P.L. 81-
28 874, as amended, (20 U.S.C. 240(d)) and the regulations adopted under it
29 (45 C.F.R. 115.60 - 115.66), the amount of state aid shall be reduced

1 by the amount of the school district's entitlement to federal financial
2 assistance under P.L. 81-874, as amended, (20 U.S.C. 236 - 244), for the
3 prior fiscal year.

4 * Sec. 3. AS 14.17.021(c)(2) and (5) are amended to read:

5 (2) K (minimum level of state support of basic need) = 97
6 [95] per cent;

7 (5) state aid as computed under this section constitutes at
8 least 97 [95] per cent of the basic need, as defined by the department,
9 of each school district.

10 * Sec. 4. AS 14.17.031(a) and (b) are amended to read:

11 (a) The total number of instructional units within each school
12 district is the sum of

13 (1) the number of units for elementary schools and the number
14 of units for secondary schools as determined from sec. 41(a), (b), (c),
15 or (d) [OR SEC. 41(b)] of this chapter;

16 (2) the number of units for vocational education determined
17 from sec. 41(e) [41(c)] of this chapter as approved by the department;

18 (3) the number of units from special education determined
19 from sec. 41(f) [41(d)] of this chapter as approved by the department;
20 and

21 (4) if the district has five or more correspondence pupils
22 enrolled in an approved district correspondence study program, the
23 number of units for correspondence pupils determined by applying the
24 number of correspondence pupils to sec. 41(a) of this chapter.

25 (b) A school district shall compute separately the number of
26 allowable instructional units for each of its secondary schools except
27 as provided in (c) of this section.

28 * Sec. 5. AS 14.17.031(c) is repealed and re-enacted to read:

29 (c) The commissioner shall authorize any school in a remote

1 location to establish an associated secondary school when the sum of the
2 average daily membership in grades five through eight is greater than
3 20. Notwithstanding sec. 41 of this chapter, any school or school
4 district operating a remote elementary school with 20 or fewer total
5 average daily membership in grades five through eight may conduct a
6 secondary program subject to approval of the commissioner and use the
7 following table to calculate the number of allowable instructional
8 units for the combined elementary and secondary program of the remote
9 school:

| ADM | No. Instructional Units |
|----------|-------------------------|
| under 12 | 3 |
| 12 - 20 | 4 |
| 21 - 32 | 5 |

14 * Sec. 6. AS 14.17.031 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

15 (d) If the instructional units which a school district is entitled
16 to under (a) of this section decrease by 10 per cent or more from one
17 year to the next, the school district may use the last year before the
18 reduction as a base year and offset its reduction according to the
19 following schedule: (1) for the first year after the base year, the
20 school district is entitled to the instructional units determined under
21 (a) of this section plus 75 per cent of the difference in instructional
22 units between the base year and the first year; (2) for the second year
23 after the base year, the school district is entitled to the instructional
24 units determined under (a) of this section plus 50 per cent of the
25 difference in instructional units between the base year and the second
26 year; (3) for the third year after the base year, the school district is
27 entitled to the instructional units determined under (a) of this section
28 plus 25 per cent of the difference in instructional units between the
29 base year and the second year. The schedule established in this

1 subsection is available to a school district for the three years fol-
 2 lowing the base year only so long as the entitlement to instructional
 3 units under (a) of this section for each year is less than the entitle-
 4 ment in the base year.

5 * Sec. 7. AS 14.17.041 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

6 Sec. 14.17.041. TABLE OF ALLOWABLE INSTRUCTIONAL UNITS. (a)

7 Elementary schools in districts with ADM under 1,000:

| ADM | No. Instructional Units |
|-------------|---|
| 8 under 20 | 2 |
| 9 20 - 32 | 3 |
| 10 33 - 46 | 4 |
| 11 47 - 62 | 5 |
| 12 63 - 80 | 6 |
| 13 81 - 999 | 6 plus 1 for each 18 pupils 14 or fraction of 18 |

15 (b) Elementary schools in districts with ADM of 1,000 or over:

| ADM | No. Instructional Units |
|------------------|---|
| 17 under 20 | 2 |
| 18 20 - 32 | 3 |
| 19 33 - 46 | 4 |
| 20 47 - 62 | 5 |
| 21 63 - 80 | 6 |
| 22 81 - 99 | 7 |
| 23 100 - 3005 | 7 plus 1 for each 19 pupils 24 or fraction of 19 |
| 25 3006 and over | 160 plus 1 for each 21 pupils 26 or fraction of 21 |

27 (c) Secondary schools in districts with ADM under 1,000:

28 ADM No. Instructional Units

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| | | |
|---|----------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | under 33 | 3 |
| 2 | 33 - 46 | 4 |
| 3 | 47 - 62 | 5 |
| 4 | 63 - 80 | 6 |
| 5 | 81 - 999 | 6 plus 1 for each 18 pupils |
| 6 | | or fraction of 18 |

7 (d) Secondary schools in districts with ADM of 1,000 or over:

| 8 | ADM | No. Instructional Units |
|----|---------------|-------------------------------|
| 9 | under 33 | 3 |
| 10 | 33 - 46 | 4 |
| 11 | 47 - 62 | 5 |
| 12 | 63 - 80 | 6 |
| 13 | 81 - 99 | 7 |
| 14 | 100 - 3005 | 7 plus 1 for each 19 pupils |
| 15 | | or fraction of 19 |
| 16 | 3006 and over | 160 plus 1 for each 21 pupils |
| 17 | | or fraction of 21 |

18 (e) Vocational education schedule:

| 19 | ADM | No. Instructional Units |
|----|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 20 | Full-Time Equivalent | |
| 21 | 5 - 10 | 1 |
| 22 | 11 - 25 | 2 |
| 23 | 26 - 40 | 3 |
| 24 | 41 and over | 3 plus 1 for each 20 pupils or |
| 25 | | fraction of 20 pupils in |
| 26 | | Full-Time Equivalent ADM |

27 (f) Special education schedule:

| 28 | ADM | No. Instructional Units |
|----|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 29 | Full-Time Equivalent | |

| | | |
|---|-------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | 5 - 8 | 1 |
| 2 | 9 - 15 | 2 |
| 3 | 16 - 24 | 3 |
| 4 | 25 - 35 | 4 |
| 5 | 36 and over | 4 plus 1 for each 11 pupils or |
| 6 | | fraction of 11 pupils in |
| 7 | | Full-Time Equivalent ADM |

8 * Sec. 8. AS 14.17.051 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

9 Sec. 14.17.051. INSTRUCTIONAL UNIT ALLOTMENT. The instructional
10 unit allotment for each school district or regional educational atten-
11 dance area is as follows:

12 (1) for Gateway Borough School District, City and Borough of
13 Juneau School District, and Anchorage School District, the district is
14 entitled to receive the base instructional unit allotment;

15 (2) for Annette Island School District, Southeast School
16 District, Petersburg City School District, Wrangell City School Dis-
17 trict, Sitka Borough School District, and Matanuska-Susitna Borough
18 School District, the district or area is entitled to receive 104 per
19 cent of the base instructional unit allotment;

20 (3) for Craig City School District, Hydaburg City School
21 District, Klawock City School District, Kake City School District,
22 Chatham School District, Skagway City School District, and Kenai
23 Peninsula Borough School District, the district or area is entitled to
24 receive 108 per cent of the base instructional unit allotment;

25 (4) for Pelican City School District, Kodiak Island Borough
26 School District, Hoonah City School District, and North Star Borough
27 School District, the district or area is entitled to receive 112 per
28 cent of the base instructional unit allotment;

29 (5) for Copper River School District, Cordova City School

1 District, Valdez City School District, and Haines Borough School Dis-
2 trict, the district or area is entitled to receive 115 per cent of the
3 base instructional unit allotment;

4 (6) for Nenana City School District, Delta School District,
5 Alaska Gateway School District, Upper Railbelt Regional School District,
6 Yakutat City School District, and Chugach School District, the district
7 or area is entitled to receive 120 per cent of the base instructional
8 unit allotment;

9 (7) for Adak Regional School District the area is entitled to
10 receive 140 per cent of the base instructional unit allotment;

11 (8) for Pribilof Islands School District, Aleutian Chain
12 School District, King Cove City School District, and Unalaska City
13 School District, the district or area is entitled to receive 150 per
14 cent of the base instructional unit allotment;

15 (9) for Yukon Flats School District, Dillingham City School
16 District, Bristol Bay Borough School District, Southwest Regional School
17 District, Lake Peninsula School District, Lower Kuskokwim School Dis-
18 trict, Galena City School District, Kuspuk School District, Yukon-
19 Koyukuk School District, Northwest Arctic School District, Selawik City
20 School District, Nome City School District, Bering Straits School
21 District, Iditarod Area School District, North Slope Borough School
22 District, Lower Yukon School District, and St. Mary's City School
23 District, the district or area is entitled to receive 155 per cent of
24 the base instructional unit allotment.

25 * Sec. 9. Notwithstanding the provisions of AS 14.17.051, as re-enacted
26 by sec. 8 of this Act, the value of the instructional unit allotment for any
27 school district or regional educational attendance area is not less than it
28 would have been for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1977 if sec. 8 of this
29 Act had not been enacted.

1 * Sec. 10. AS 14.17.056 is amended to read:

2 Sec. 14.17.056. BASE INSTRUCTIONAL UNIT. (a) The base instruc-
3 tional unit for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1977 [1976] and ending
4 June 30, 1978 [1977] is \$27,500 [\$25,000].

5 (b) The base instructional unit for fiscal years beginning on or
6 after July 1, 1978 [1977] is \$29,000 [\$27,500].

7 * Sec. 11. AS 14.17 is amended by adding a new section to read:

8 Sec. 14.17.205. STATE AID TO DISTRICTS OPERATING APPROVED SCHOOL
9 FOOD SERVICE PROGRAMS. A school district that qualifies for and pro-
10 vides free and reduced-price lunches to students who qualify under the
11 Federal Nutrition Act shall receive state aid in an amount for each free
12 or reduced-price meal equal to the federal allowances multiplied by the
13 school district's area differential in sec. 51 of this chapter.

14 * Sec. 12. AS 14.17.225 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

15 (f) Funds necessary to carry out the provisions of sec. 205 of
16 this chapter may be appropriated annually to the Department of Educa-
17 tion. If amounts appropriated are insufficient to meet the allocations
18 authorized under sec. 205 of this chapter, such funds as are available
19 shall be distributed pro rata among eligible districts.

20 * Sec. 13. Sections 1, 2, 6, 8 and 9 of this Act take effect July 1, 1977.
21 Sections 3 - 5, 7, and 10 - 12 of this Act take effect July 1, 1978.