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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 125 (Finance)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to grants for day care centers and  
7 multipurpose youth centers; and providing for an effec-  
8 tive date."

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

10 \* Section 1. AS 44.47 is amended by adding new sections to read:

11 ARTICLE 8. GRANTS FOR DAY CARE CENTERS

12 AND MULTIPURPOSE YOUTH CENTERS.

13 Sec. 44.47.312. DAY CARE CENTER AND MULTIPURPOSE YOUTH CENTER  
14 GRANTS. (a) There is established in the Department of Community and  
15 Regional Affairs a day care center and multipurpose youth center grant  
16 fund to provide state assistance in construction, rehabilitation and  
17 operation of day care centers and multipurpose youth centers. Within  
18 the limits of appropriations for each purpose, the Department of Com-  
19 munity and Regional Affairs shall make grants available to nonprofit  
20 corporations and municipalities for construction, rehabilitation and  
21 operation of day care centers and multipurpose youth centers.

22 (b) A grant under this section may be made for a day care center  
23 or a multipurpose youth center; these centers may be combined in a  
24 single center.

25 (c) Application for a grant shall be made in the form established  
26 by the commissioner of community and regional affairs.

27 (d) An application for a construction or renovation grant under  
28 this section may not be approved unless the applicant demonstrates

29 (1) the need for a center to serve the community;

1 (2) the absence or inadequacy of existing centers serving the  
2 community to meet the needs of the community;

3 (3) if the grant is for construction of a new facility, that  
4 the need cannot adequately be met by expansion or renovation of existing  
5 available facilities or that expansion or renovation of existing faci-  
6 lities would be less cost effective than construction of a new facility.

7 (e) An application for a grant for operation of a center may not  
8 be approved unless the applicant demonstrates that

9 (1) the center is appropriate to the demonstrated needs of  
10 the community;

11 (2) the center does not duplicate already existing services  
12 available in the community, or centers that exist in the community are  
13 inadequate to meet the demonstrated needs of the community.

14 (f) A grant for operation of a multipurpose youth center may not  
15 exceed

16 (1) 100 percent of the total costs of operation for the first  
17 year for which a grant is made for operation of the center;

18 (2) 90 percent of the total costs of operation for the second  
19 year for which a grant is made for operation of the center;

20 (3) 80 percent of the total costs of operation for the third  
21 year for which a grant is made for operation of the center;

22 (4) 65 percent of the total costs of operation for the fourth  
23 year for which a grant is made for operation of the center;

24 (5) 50 percent of the total costs of operation for the fifth  
25 and succeeding years for which a grant is made for operation of the  
26 center.

27 (g) A grant for operation of a day care center may not exceed \$50  
28 a month for each licensed day care slot as determined by the Department  
29 of Health and Social Services.

1 (h) A grant may be made for acquisition of equipment for a center  
2 if the applicant demonstrates that the equipment meets needs of the  
3 community which cannot adequately be met with available existing equip-  
4 ment.

5 Sec. 44.47.314. GRANT AGREEMENTS. A grant may be made under  
6 AS 44.47.312 only in accordance with an agreement between the commis-  
7 sioner of community and regional affairs acting on behalf of the state  
8 and the recipient of the grant. The agreement may include terms agreed  
9 on by the parties and shall include in substance

10 (1) a statement of the program goals of the center and the  
11 method by which the goals are to be achieved;

12 (2) a system for evaluation of the program at periodic in-  
13 tervals;

14 (3) if a center is to be constructed or renovated through a  
15 grant, a covenant that the recipient of the grant will secure and retain  
16 title to the site of the center or that the recipient enjoys use of the  
17 center under a lease agreement for a term at least equal to the esti-  
18 mated life of the center;

19 (4) a method for insuring accountability for use of all grant  
20 money.

21 Sec. 44.47.316. As used in AS 44.47.312 - 44.47.316,

22 (1) "center" means a day care center or multipurpose youth  
23 center;

24 (2) "day care" means the care, supervision, and guidance of a  
25 child or children unaccompanied by a parent or legal guardian on a  
26 regular basis for periods of less than 24 hours a day;

27 (3) "day care center" means a facility the principal purpose  
28 of which is to provide day care for children;

29 (4) "multipurpose youth center" means a facility to provide

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persons up to 19 years of age with services and activities suited to their particular needs; the services and activities may include, but are not limited to, health examinations, legal assistance, recreation programs, general social activities, student tutoring programs, counseling, and nutrition classes.

\* Sec. 2. . This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-070(c).