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For Today's Calendar

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 88 (Rules) am H

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to truant children and school closings
7 and providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 47.10.010(a)(2) is amended by adding a new subparagraph to
10 read:

11 (F) the child being habitually truant from school,
12 except as allowed in AS 14.30.010(b).

13 * Sec. 2. AS 47.10.080(c)(1) is amended to read:

14 (1) order the minor committed to the department for placement
15 in an appropriate setting for a period of time not to exceed two years
16 or in any event past the date the minor becomes 19 years of age, except
17 that the department may petition for and the court may grant in a hear-
18 ing (A) two-year extensions of commitment which do not extend beyond the
19 child's 19th birthday if the extension is in the best interests of the
20 minor and the public; and (B) an additional one-year period of super-
21 vision past age 19 if the continued supervision is in the best interests
22 of the person and the person consents to it; the department may transfer
23 the minor, in his best interests, from one placement setting to another,
24 and the minor, his parents or guardian and attorney are entitled to
25 reasonable notice of the transfer; however, the court may not enter an
26 order under this paragraph if the child has been found a child in need
27 of aid under AS 47.10.010(a)(2)(F);

28 * Sec. 3. AS 47.10.080(c)(3) is amended to read:

29 (3) by order, upon a showing in the adjudication by clear and

1 convincing evidence that there is a child in need of aid under AS 47.-
2 10.010(a)(2) as a result of parental conduct and upon a showing in the
3 disposition by clear and convincing evidence that the parental conduct
4 is likely to continue to exist if there is no termination of parental
5 rights, terminate parental rights and responsibilities of one or both
6 parents and commit the child to the department or to a legally appointed
7 guardian of the person of the child, and the department or guardian
8 shall report annually to the court on efforts being made to find a
9 permanent placement for the child; however, the court may not enter an
10 order under this paragraph if the child has been found a child in need
11 of aid under AS 47.10.010(a)(2)(F).

12 * Sec. 4. AS 14.14 is amended by adding a new section to read:

13 Sec. 14.14.122. CLOSING OF SCHOOL. Except for an emergency as
14 certified by board resolution a borough school board may not order the
15 closure of an elementary or secondary school unless the board, not later
16 than 180 days before the anticipated date of closure of the school,
17 allows for participation by citizens through a public hearing process.
18 Nothing in this section is intended to prohibit the closure of schools.

19 (1) The board shall publish a summary of its report regarding
20 the school closure in a newspaper of general circulation in the school
21 district. The board shall distribute a copy of this report summary to
22 the parents of each child who attends the school being proposed to be
23 closed.

24 (2) The board shall provide for at least one public hearing
25 notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the school district.

26 * Sec. 5. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-
27 070(c).