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IN THE SENATE

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND  
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 199

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the public school foundation program; to educational assessments of children; to correspondence study; and providing for an effective date."

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

\* Section 1. AS 14.17.031(a)(4) is amended to read:

(4) if the district has [FIVE OR MORE] correspondence pupils enrolled in an approved district correspondence study program, the number of units for correspondence pupils determined by applying the number of correspondence pupils to AS 14.17.041(h) [14.17.041(a)].

\* Sec. 2. AS 14.17.031(b) is amended to read:

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

\* Sec. 3. AS 14.17.031(d) is amended to read:

(d) If the instructional units which a school district is entitled to under (a) of this section decrease by 10 per cent or more from one year to the next, the school district may use the last year before the reduction as a base year and offset its reduction according to the following schedule: (1) for the first year after the base year, the school district is entitled to the instructional units determined under (a)(1) [(a)] of this section plus 75 per cent of the difference in instructional units between the base year and the first year; (2) for the second year after the base year, the school district is entitled to

1 the instructional units determined under (a)(1) [(a)] of this section  
 2 plus 50 per cent of the difference in instructional units between the  
 3 base year and the second year; (3) for the third year after the base  
 4 year, the school district is entitled to the instructional units  
 5 determined under (a)(1) [(a)] of this section plus 25 per cent of the  
 6 difference in instructional units between the base year and the third  
 7 [second] year. The schedule established in this subsection is available  
 8 to a school district for the three years following the base year only so  
 9 long as the entitlement to instructional units under (a)(1) [(a)] of  
 10 this section for each year is less than the entitlement in the base  
 11 year.

12 \* Sec. 4. AS 14.17.031 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

13 (e) The commissioner may authorize a school district operating a  
 14 school in a remote area to calculate the number of units to which the  
 15 remote school would be entitled if that school were a separate school  
 16 district and to include that number of units in the total number of  
 17 instructional units for the district.

18 \* Sec. 5. AS 14.17.041(b) is amended to read:

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

ADM	No. Instructional Units
20 under 20	2
21 20 - 32	3
22 33 - 46	4
23 47 - 62	5
24 63 - 80	6
25 81 - 99	7
26 100 <u>and over</u> [ - 3005]	7 plus 1 for each 19 pupils
27	or fraction of 19.
28 [3006 AND OVER	160 PLUS 1 FOR EACH 21 PUPILS
29	

OR FRACTION OF 21]

\* Sec. 6. AS 14.17.041(d) is amended to read:

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

ADM	No. Instructional Units
under 33	3
33 - 46	4
47 - 62	5
63 - 80	6
81 - 99	7
100 <u>and over</u> [ - 3005]	7 plus 1 for each 19 pupils or fraction of 19
[3006 AND OVER	160 PLUS 1 FOR EACH 21 PUPILS OR FRACTION OF 21]

\* Sec. 7. AS 14.17.041(e) is amended to read:

(e) Vocational education schedule:

ADM	No. Instructional Units
Full-Time Equivalent	
5 - 10	1
11 - <u>18</u> [25]	2
<u>19</u> [26] - 40	3
41 and over	3 plus 1 for each 20 pupils or fraction of 20 pupils in Full-Time Equivalent ADM

\* Sec. 8. AS 14.17.041(f) is amended to read:

(f) Special education schedule:

ADM	No. Instructional Units
Full-Time Equivalent	
5 - 8	1
9 - 15	2



1	16 - 24	3
2	25 - 35	4
3	36 and over	4 plus 1 for each <u>7</u> [11] pupils
4		or fraction of <u>7</u> [11]
5		pupils in full-time equi-
6		valent ADM

\* Sec. 9. AS 14.17.041 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(h) Correspondence study schedule:

9	ADM	No. Instructional Units
10	Under 11	1
11	11 - 32	2
12	33 - 62	3
13	63 - 99	4
14	100 and over	4 plus 1 for each 30 pupils
15		or fraction of 30

\* Sec. 10. AS 14.17.051 is amended to read:

Sec. 14.17.051. INSTRUCTIONAL UNIT ALLOTMENT. The instructional unit allotment for each school district or regional educational attendance area is as follows:

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

(2) for [ANNETTE ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT,] Petersburg City School District, Wrangell City School District, Sitka Borough School District, and Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District, the district or area is entitled to receive 104 per cent of the base instructional unit allotment;

(3) for Annette Island School District, Craig City School District, Hydaburg City School District, Klawock City School District,

1 Kake City School District, Chatham School District, [SKAGWAY CITY SCHOOL  
2 DISTRICT,] Southeast Island School District, and Kenai Peninsula Borough  
3 School District, the district or area is entitled to receive 108 per  
4 cent of the base instructional unit allotment;

5 (4) for Pelican City School District, Hoonah City School  
6 District, and North Star Borough School District, the district or area  
7 is entitled to receive 112 per cent of the base instructional unit  
8 allotment;

9 (5) for Chugach School District, Copper River School Dis-  
10 trict, Cordova City School District, Valdez City School District, [AND]  
11 Haines Borough School District, and Skagway City School District, the  
12 district or area is entitled to receive 115 per cent of the base  
13 instructional unit allotment;

14 (6) for Nenana City School District, Delta School District,  
15 Alaska Gateway School District, Upper Railbelt Regional School District,  
16 and Yakutat City School District [AND CHUGACH SCHOOL DISTRICT], the  
17 district or area is entitled to receive 125 [120] per cent of the base  
18 instructional unit allotment;

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

21 (8) for Pribilof Islands School District, Aleutian Chain  
22 School District, King Cove City School District, Sand Point City School  
23 District, and Unalaska City School District, the district or area is  
24 entitled to receive 150 per cent of the base instructional unit allot-  
25 ment;

26 (9) for [YUKON FLATS SCHOOL DISTRICT,] Dillingham City School  
27 District, Bristol Bay Borough School District, Southwest Regional School  
28 District, and Lake Peninsula School District, [LOWER KUSKOKWIM SCHOOL  
29 DISTRICT, GALENA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, KUSPUK SCHOOL DISTRICT, YUKON-

1 KOYUKUK SCHOOL DISTRICT, NORTHWEST ARCTIC SCHOOL DISTRICT, SELAWIK CITY  
2 SCHOOL DISTRICT, NOME CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, BERING STRAITS SCHOOL  
3 DISTRICT, IDITAROD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL  
4 DISTRICT, LOWER YUKON SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND ST. MARY'S CITY SCHOOL  
5 DISTRICT,] the district or area is entitled to receive 155 per cent of  
6 the base instruction unit allotment.

7 (10) For Kodiak Island School District, the district is  
8 entitled to receive 116 per cent of the base instructional unit allot-  
9 ment;

10 (11) For Lower Kuskokwim School District, Lower Yukon School  
11 District, the district or area is entitled to receive 157 per cent of  
12 the base instructional unit allotment;

13 (12) For Yukon Flats School District, Galena City School  
14 District, Kuspuk School District, Yukon-Koyukuk School District, North-  
15 west Arctic School District (Selawik City School District), Nome City  
16 School District, Bering Straits School District, Iditarod Area School  
17 District, North Slope Borough School District, and St. Mary's City School  
18 District, the district or area is entitled to receive 159 per cent of the  
19 base instructional unit allotment.

20 \* Sec. 11. AS 14.17.056 is amended to read:

21 Sec. 14.17.056. BASE INSTRUCTIONAL UNIT. (a) The base instruc-  
22 tional unit for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1979 [1978] and ending  
23 June 30, 1980 [1979] is \$31,900 [\$29,000].

24 (b) The base instructional unit for fiscal years beginning on or  
25 after July 1, 1980 [1979] is \$34,135 [\$31,900].

26 \* Sec. 12. AS 14.17.250 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

27 (20) "correspondence study program" means an educational  
28 program serving elementary or secondary students who do not have daily  
29 access to a public school program.

1 \* Sec. 13. AS 14.30.010(b)(10) is amended to read:

2 (10) is enrolled in a full-time program of correspondence  
3 study approved by the department or if a student is enrolled in a  
4 centralized correspondence study before the effective date of this Act;  
5 [IN THOSE SCHOOL DISTRICTS PROVIDING AN APPROVED CORRESPONDENCE STUDY  
6 PROGRAM, A STUDENT MAY BE ENROLLED EITHER IN THE DISTRICT CORRESPONDENCE  
7 PROGRAM OR IN THE CENTRALIZED CORRESPONDENCE STUDY PROGRAM;]

8 \* Sec. 14. AS 14.30.191(c) is amended to read:

9 (c) If a parent or guardian believes that the educational assess-  
10 ment of his child is in error, he may request an independent examination  
11 and evaluation of the child. If a substantial discrepancy exists  
12 between the educational assessment of the school district and the inde-  
13 pendent evaluation, and if the parent or guardian so requests, a hearing  
14 shall be held before a hearing officer in order to resolve the discrep-  
15 ancy between evaluations and to determine the appropriate educational  
16 program placement for the exceptional child. The Department of Education  
17 shall adopt regulations for the conduct of hearings authorized by this  
18 section and for the appointment and qualifications of the hearing  
19 officer. [REGULATIONS ADOPTED AND PROCEEDINGS CONDUCTED UNDER THIS  
20 SECTION ARE SUBJECT TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT.]

21 \* Sec. 15. AS 14.30 is amended by adding a new section to read:

22 Sec. 14.30.193. EDUCATIONAL ASSESSMENT FUND. (a) There is in the  
23 Department of Education an educational assessment fund which is an  
24 account in the general fund to receive money appropriated by the legis-  
25 lature for assisting school districts in carrying out the educational  
26 assessments required under AS 14.30.191(a).

27 (b) Money appropriated to the educational assessment fund shall be  
28 allocated to school districts by the department in accordance with  
29 regulations adopted by it.



1 \* Sec. 16. AS 14.17.031(e) is repealed.

2 \* Sec. 17. Sections 4 and 14 of this Act take effect immediately in  
3 accordance with AS 01.10.070(c). Sections 1 - 3, 5 - 13, 15, and 16 of this  
4 Act take effect July 1, 1980.

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