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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 199 (Finance) am

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 the public school foundation
7 program; to educational assessments of children; and
8 providing for an effective date."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 14.17.031(b) is amended to read:

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

14 * Sec. 2. AS 14.17.031(d) is amended 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)(1) [(a)] of this section plus 75 per cent of the difference in
22 instructional units between the base year and the first year; (2) for
23 the second year after the base year, the school district is entitled to
24 the instructional units determined under (a)(1) [(a)] of this section
25 plus 50 per cent of the difference in instructional units between the
26 base year and the second year; (3) for the third year after the base
27 year, the school district is entitled to the instructional units deter-
28 mined under (a)(1) [(a)] of this section plus 25 per cent of the
29 difference in instructional units between the base year and the third

1 [second] year. The schedule established in this subsection is available
2 to a school district for the three years following the base year only so
3 long as the entitlement to instructional units under (a)(1) [(a)] of
4 this section for each year is less than the entitlement in the base
5 year.

6 * Sec. 3. AS 14.17.031 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

7 (e) The commissioner may authorize a school district operating a
8 school in a remote area to calculate the number of units to which the
9 remote school would be entitled if that school were a separate school
10 district and to include that number of units in the total number of
11 instructional units for the district.

12 * Sec. 4. AS 14.17.041(e) is amended to read:

13 (e) Vocational education schedule:

14 ADM

15 Full-Time Equivalent	No. Instructional Units
16 5 - 10	1
17 11 - <u>18</u> [25]	2
18 <u>19</u> [26] - 40	3
19 41 and over	3 plus 1 for each 20 pupils 20 or fraction of 20 pupils in 21 Full-Time Equivalent ADM

22 * Sec. 5. AS 14.17.051 is amended to read:

23 Sec. 14.17.051. INSTRUCTIONAL UNIT ALLOTMENT. The instructional
24 unit allotment for each school district or regional educational attend-
25 ance area is as follows:

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

29 (2) for [ANNETTE ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT,] Petersburg City

1 School District, Wrangell City School District, Sitka Borough School
2 District, and Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District, the district or
3 area is entitled to receive 104 per cent of the base instructional unit
4 allotment;

5 (3) for Annette Island School District, Craig City School
6 District, Hydaburg City School District, Klawock City School District,
7 Kake City School District, Chatham School District, [SKAGWAY CITY SCHOOL
8 DISTRICT,] Southeast Island School District, and Kenai Peninsula Borough
9 School District, the district or area is entitled to receive 108 per
10 cent of the base instructional unit allotment;

11 (4) for Pelican City School District, Hoonah City School
12 District, and North Star Borough School District, the district or area
13 is entitled to receive 112 per cent of the base instructional unit
14 allotment;

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

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

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

27 (8) for Pribilof Islands School District, Aleutian Chain
28 School District, King Cove City School District, Sand Point City School
29 District, and Unalaska City School District, the district or area is

1 entitled to receive 150 per cent of the base instructional unit allot-
2 ment;

3 (9) for [YUKON FLATS SCHOOL DISTRICT,] Dillingham City School
4 District, Bristol Bay Borough School District, Southwest Regional School
5 District, and Lake Peninsula School District, [LOWER KUSKOKWIM SCHOOL
6 DISTRICT, GALENA CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, KUSPUK SCHOOL DISTRICT, YUKON-
7 KOYUKUK SCHOOL DISTRICT, NORTHWEST ARCTIC SCHOOL DISTRICT, SELAWIK CITY
8 SCHOOL DISTRICT, NOME CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT, BERING STRAITS SCHOOL
9 DISTRICT, IDITAROD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT, NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL
10 DISTRICT, LOWER YUKON SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND ST. MARY'S CITY SCHOOL
11 DISTRICT,] the district or area is entitled to receive 155 per cent of
12 the base instruction unit allotment.

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

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

19 (12) For Yukon Flats School District, Galena City School
20 District, Kuspuke School District, Yukon-Koyukuk School District, North-
21 west Arctic School District (Selawik City School District), Nome City
22 School District, Bering Straits School District, Iditarod Area School
23 District, North Slope Borough School District, and St. Mary's City
24 School District, the district or area is entitled to receive 159 per
25 cent of the base instructional unit allotment.

26 * Sec. 6. AS 14.17.056 is amended to read:

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

1 (b) The base instructional unit for fiscal years beginning on or
2 after July 1, 1980 [1979] is \$33,814 [\$31,900].

3 * Sec. 7. AS 14.30.191(c) is amended to read:

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

16 * Sec. 8. AS 14.30 is amended by adding a new section to read:

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

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

25 * Sec. 9. Sections 3 and 7 of this Act take effect immediately in
26 accordance with AS 01.10.070(c). Sections 1, 2, 4 - 6, and 8 of this Act
27 take effect July 1, 1980.