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Referred: Health, Education &
Social Services and Finance

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY ZHAROFF

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 464

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to vision and hearing examinations in
7 public schools; and providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 14.30 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 14.30.075. VISION AND HEARING SCREENING EXAMINATIONS. (a)
11 A vision and hearing screening examination shall be given to each child
12 attending public school in the state. The examination shall be made
13 when the child enters school or as soon thereafter as is practicable,
14 and at regular intervals considered advisable by the governing body of
15 the district.

16 (b) The Department of Health and Social Services shall train and
17 certify public health nurses and school district employees to conduct
18 hearing and vision screening tests, assist with referral and follow-up
19 of children needing professional examination or treatment, and assist
20 with maintenance and repair of screening equipment.

21 (c) The Department of Education shall pay school districts for
22 vision and hearing screening examination. Payment shall be based on
23 the cost per child for each examination.

24 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect July 1, 1981.

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