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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

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CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 464 (HESS)

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

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

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

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

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Sec. 14.30.075. VISION AND HEARING SCREENING EXAMINATIONS. (a) A

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vision and hearing screening examination shall be given to each child

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attending public school in the state. The examination shall be made

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when the child enters school or as soon thereafter as is practicable,

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and at regular intervals specified by regulation by the governing body

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of the district.

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(b) The Department of Health and Social Services shall

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(1) set standards for the performance of vision and hearing

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screening;

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(2) train and certify public health nurses and school district

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employees to conduct hearing and vision screening tests;

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(3) assist with referral and follow-up of children needing

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professional examination or treatment; and

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(4) assist with maintenance and repair of screening equipment.

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(c) The Department of Health and Social Services shall pay school

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districts for vision and hearing screening examination. Payment shall

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be based on the cost per child for each examination.

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* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect July 1, 1982.

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