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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 320 (HESS)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to training for employees of borough
7 or city school districts or regional educational atten-
8 dance areas; and providing for an effective date."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 14.20 is amended by adding new sections to read:

11 ARTICLE 8. STAFF DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.

12 Sec. 14.20.652. STAFF DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. A borough or city
13 school district or a regional educational attendance area may establish
14 a comprehensive staff development program. A staff development program
15 shall include orientation training for newly hired employees of the
16 district or attendance area and may include in-service training for all
17 employees of the district or attendance area.

18 Sec. 14.20.654. ESTABLISHMENT OF STAFF DEVELOPMENT PLANNING COMMIT-
19 TEES. (a) If a school board of a borough or city school district or a
20 regional educational attendance area establishes a staff development
21 program under AS 14.20.652, the school board shall also establish a
22 staff development planning committee.

23 (b) A majority of the members of the staff development planning
24 committee shall be classroom teachers employed by the district or atten-
25 dance area.

26 (c) If a staff development planning committee meeting is held
27 during the school day, an employee of the district or attendance area
28 who is a member of the committee shall be released from classroom or
29 other assigned duties to attend the meeting without penalty or loss of

1 pay.

2 Sec. 14.20.656. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE STAFF DEVELOPMENT PLANNING
3 COMMITTEE. A staff development planning committee established by a
4 borough or city school district or regional educational attendance area
5 under AS 14.20.654 shall, under the direction of the school board, plan
6 and implement a comprehensive staff development program.

7 Sec. 14.20.658. APPROVAL OF PLANS BY DEPARTMENT. To apply for
8 state money under AS 14.20.660 a school board shall submit completed
9 plans for a staff development program to the department no later than
10 April 1 during the school term before the term covered by the plans.
11 The department shall approve or disapprove a staff development program
12 plan within 30 days after receiving it from a school board. A staff
13 development program plan may be amended, subject to department approval.
14 Only an approved program is eligible for state money under AS 14.20.660.

15 Sec. 14.20.660. STAFF DEVELOPMENT TRAINING. The department shall,
16 subject to the availability of money appropriated for that purpose, make
17 payments to a borough or city school district or a regional educational
18 attendance area to assist the district or attendance area to pay for the
19 cost of implementing an approved staff development program under AS 14.-
20 20.652 - 14.20.662. Assistance under this section shall be based on a
21 daily rate set by the department to be paid for each employee of a school
22 district or regional educational attendance area who participates in a
23 staff development program. A district or attendance area that has fewer
24 than 31 employees is eligible for a higher daily rate than that estab-
25 lished for a district or attendance area with more than 30 employees.

26 Sec. 14.20.662. REGULATIONS. The department shall adopt regula-
27 tions to implement the provisions of AS 14.20.652 - 14.20.662.

28 * Sec. 2. Notwithstanding AS 14.20.658, a school board that applies for
29 state money under AS 14.20.660 to conduct a staff development program during

1 the school term beginning in 1983 shall submit a completed staff development
2 program plan to the Department of Education by July 1, 1983.

3 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect July 1, 1983.
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