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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 581

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 certain leaves of absence for
7 teachers."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 14.20.310 is repealed and reenacted to read:

10 Sec. 14.20.310. COMPENSATION FOR SABBATICAL LEAVE. (a) The
11 department shall approve state-supported sabbatical leave for a teacher
12 selected by the school district under AS 14.20.300 subject to the
13 availability of money appropriated for that purpose.

14 (b) There is no limit on the number of teachers who may be on
15 sabbatical leave which is not state-supported.

16 (c) A teacher on state-supported sabbatical leave is entitled to
17 have one-half his base salary paid by the department.

18 (d) A teacher on sabbatical leave at school district or regional
19 educational attendance area expense is entitled to at least one-half of
20 his base salary as determined by the school board.

21 (e) A teacher on sabbatical leave at school district or regional
22 educational attendance area expense is eligible for state support for
23 the same sabbatical leave.

24 * Sec. 2. AS 14.20.320 is repealed and reenacted to read:

25 Sec. 14.20.320. RESPONSIBILITY OF TEACHER. (a) Upon the return
26 of a teacher to his teaching position following sabbatical leave, the
27 teacher shall make a report to the school board concerning his educa-
28 tional accomplishments.

29 (b) A teacher who does not serve for at least a full year after

1 his return from sabbatical leave shall refund to the school district or
2 regional educational attendance area or the department money paid to
3 him under AS 14.20.310, unless the failure to serve a full year after
4 return is attributable to sickness, injury, or death.

5 * Sec. 3. AS 14.20.345(a) is repealed and reenacted to read:

6 (a) A teacher may be granted a leave of absence without pay for
7 educational, professional, medical, personal, or other reasons if

8 (1) his leave application is approved by his school board;

9 and

10 (2) he agrees to return to employment in a school in his
11 district or regional educational attendance area no later than the
12 beginning of the school year following termination of his leave of
13 absence.

14 * Sec. 4. AS 14.20.350 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

15 (3) "educational purposes" includes, but is not limited to,

16 (A) a course of instruction at an accredited institu-
17 tion of postsecondary education;

18 (B) participation in instructional activities which
19 benefit or promote education in the state; and

20 (C) educational consultation with a school district or
21 regional educational attendance area other than the district or
22 attendance area which employs the teacher taking sabbatical leave.
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