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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND  
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

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SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 251 (HESS)

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to state support for education; and  
7 providing for an effective date."

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

9 \* Section 1. The provisions of AS 14.17 notwithstanding, the number of  
10 instructional units within each school district for the purpose of cal-  
11 culating the amount of basic state aid for the public school foundation  
12 program for fiscal year 1984 is equal to the revised number of instruc-  
13 tional units within each school district for fiscal year 1983 subject to  
14 the exception provided in sec. 2 of this Act.

15 \* Sec. 2. The provisions of AS 14.17.250(9) notwithstanding, a junior  
16 high school program may not be used separately to calculate the number of  
17 instructional units within a school district for fiscal year 1984 unless  
18 the junior high school program is housed in its own separate facility, or  
19 unless it has an average daily membership of 50 or more.

20 \* Sec. 3. The commissioner of education shall recommend to the legisla-  
21 ture a method of revising and improving the public school foundation pro-  
22 gram no later than January 9, 1984. If the commissioner of education has  
23 not made recommendations to the legislature by January 9, 1984, the pro-  
24 visions of AS 14.17 notwithstanding, the amount of basic state aid to each  
25 school district and regional educational attendance area under the public  
26 school foundation program, beginning in fiscal year 1985, shall be adjusted  
27 in January 1984 to reflect the changes in the Consumer Price Index for all  
28 Urban Consumers for the Anchorage Metropolitan Area compiled by the Bureau  
29 of Labor Statistics, United States Department of Labor in January 1984, for

1 the preceding twelve-month period. The index for January 1983 is the  
2 reference base index.

3 \* Sec. 4. The provisions of AS 14.17 notwithstanding, the amount of  
4 basic state aid paid under the public school foundation program for fiscal  
5 year 1984 may be increased over the amount of aid paid to a school district  
6 for fiscal year 1983 only for increases in enrollment or the opening of new  
7 school sites. If the amount appropriated for the public school foundation  
8 program for fiscal year 1984 is insufficient to meet the operating costs  
9 associated with the opening of new school sites, the available funds shall  
10 be distributed on a pro rata basis among school districts with new school  
11 sites.

12 \* Sec. 5. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.-  
13 10.070(c).