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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Relating to the teaching of sign lan-

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guage.

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

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WHEREAS sign language is as valuable as a foreign language in commu-

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nicating with others; and

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WHEREAS this kind of communication is essential to communicating with

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certain handicapped Alaskans and is legitimately one of the goals of educa-

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tion; and

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WHEREAS students should have access to this kind of communication;

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Department of

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Education is encouraged to offer sign language courses through the public

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schools and credit them in the same way that foreign language courses are

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credited.