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SENATE BILL NO. 446

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to a personal safety curriculum in
7 public schools."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 14.07.020 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 14.07.020. DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT. The department shall

11 (1) exercise general supervision over the public schools of
12 the state except the University of Alaska;

13 (2) study the conditions and needs of the public schools of
14 the state and adopt or recommend plans for the improvement of the
15 public schools;

16 (3) provide advisory and consultative services to all
17 public school governing bodies and personnel;

18 (4) prescribe by regulation a minimum course of study for
19 the public schools;

20 (5) establish, in coordination with the Department of
21 Health and Social Services, a program for the continuing education of
22 children who are held in detention facilities in the state during the
23 period of detention;

24 (6) accredit those public schools that [WHICH] meet accred-
25 itation standards prescribed by regulation by the department; these
26 regulations shall be adopted by the department and presented to the
27 legislature during the first 10 days of any regular session, and
28 become effective 45 days after presentation or at the end of the
29 session, whichever is earlier, unless disapproved by a resolution

1 concurred in by a majority of the members of each house;

2 (7) prescribe by regulation, after consultation with the
3 Department of Health and Social Services, standards that will assure
4 healthful and safe conditions in the public and private schools of the
5 state; the standards for private schools may not be more stringent
6 than those for public schools;

7 (8) in cooperation with the Department of Health and Social
8 Services, exercise general supervision over public and private pre-
9 elementary schools and over the educational component of nurseries as
10 defined in AS 47.35.080(4); pre-elementary schools in this paragraph
11 means schools for children ages three through five years when the
12 schools' primary function is educational;

13 (9) provide accredited elementary and secondary correspon-
14 dence study programs available to any Alaskan through a centralized
15 office of correspondence study;

16 (10) accredit private elementary and secondary schools which
17 request accreditation and which meet accreditation standards pre-
18 scribed by regulation by the department;

19 (11) review plans for construction of new public elementary
20 and secondary schools and for additions to and major rehabilitation of
21 existing public elementary and secondary schools and, in accordance
22 with regulations adopted by the department, determine and approve the
23 extent of eligibility for state aid of a school construction project
24 begun after July 1, 1978; for the purposes of this paragraph, "plans"
25 include educational specifications, schematic designs, and final
26 contract documents;

27 (12) provide educational opportunities in the areas of
28 vocational education and training, basic education, and fire- service
29 training to individuals over 16 years of age who are no longer

1 attending school;

2 (13) administer the grants awarded under AS 14.11.020;

3 (14) provide a public safety curriculum in grades kinder-
4 garten through 12 of the public schools, including education relating
5 to fire safety, health and hygiene, and the prevention of child abuse,
6 sexual abuse, and domestic violence.