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1 IN THE SENATE BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 208 (Finance)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the formation of regional educa-
7 tional attendance areas in certain villages; and
8 providing for an effective date."

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

10 * Section 1. FINDINGS AND PURPOSE. Federal transfer schools formerly
11 funded through the Bureau of Indian Affairs in the villages of Akiachak,
12 Akiak, Tuluksak, Chevak, and Chefornak will no longer receive federal
13 funding after fiscal year 1985. The legislature finds that these villages
14 have successfully operated the schools on their own through contracts with
15 the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Therefore, it is the purpose of this Act to
16 give these villages the opportunity to continue to operate these schools on
17 their own by forming regional educational attendance areas.

18 * Sec. 2. (a) Notwithstanding AS 14.08.031, the villages of Akiachak,
19 Akiak, Tuluksak, Chevak, and Chefornak may each hold an election to deter-
20 mine if the village shall form its own regional educational attendance area
21 for the purpose of operating schools in the village. The village may form
22 a regional educational attendance area only if a majority of the qualified
23 voters of the village vote to do so in an election held no later than
24 August 13, 1985. If an election is not held by August 13, 1985, or if a
25 village votes not to form a regional educational attendance area, the
26 federal transfer schools in the village become part of the regional educa-
27 tional attendance area in which the village is located. A regional educa-
28 tional attendance area formed under this section is subject to the pro-
29 visions of AS 14.08 and other provisions of law relating to regional

1 educational attendance areas.

2 (b) If a regional educational attendance area is formed in a village
3 under this section, other schools in the village that are part of the
4 regional educational attendance area in which the village is located and
5 property belonging to those schools shall be transferred to the newly
6 formed regional educational attendance area. All existing contracts and
7 obligations of those schools shall be transferred to and honored by the
8 newly formed regional educational attendance area.

9 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.-
10 10.070(c).