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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

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CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 208 (Rules)

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the formation of federal transfer
7 regional educational attendance areas in certain
8 villages; and 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 Chefnak 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 federal transfer regional educational attendance
18 areas.

19 * Sec. 2. Notwithstanding AS 14.08.031, the villages of Akiachak,
20 Akiak, Tuluksak, and Chefnak may hold an election to determine if the
21 four villages shall form a single regional educational attendance area and
22 the village of Chevak may hold an election to determine if it shall form
23 its own regional educational attendance area, for the purpose of operating
24 federal transfer schools in the villages. A regional educational atten-
25 dance area may be formed only if a majority of the qualified voters of the
26 village of Chevak or the combined qualified voters of the villages of
27 Akiachak, Akiak, Tuluksak, and Chefnak vote to do so in an election held
28 no later than August 13, 1985. If an election is not held by August 13,
29 1985, or if the villages vote not to form a regional educational attendance

1 area, the federal transfer schools in each village become part of the
2 regional educational attendance area in which the village is located.

3 * Sec. 3. (a) Except as provided in (b) of this section, a regional
4 educational attendance area formed under this Act is subject to the
5 provisions of AS 14.08 and other provisions of law relating to regional
6 educational attendance areas.

7 (b) Notwithstanding AS 14.08 and 14.17, if the villages of Akiachak,
8 Akiak, Cheforak, and Tuluksak form a regional educational attendance area
9 under this Act, state funds appropriated to it shall be allocated equally
10 among the four villages. Decisions related to the expenditure of funds and
11 school personnel in the village that would be made by the school board of
12 the regional educational attendance area under AS 14.08 shall be made by
13 the governing body of each village.

14 * Sec. 4. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.-
15 10.070(c).