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HOUSE BILL NO. 203

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to requirements for teacher certifi-
7 cates and accounting for teacher certificate fees;
8 and defining teacher."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 14.20.020 is repealed and reenacted to read:

11 Sec. 14.20.020. CLASSES OF CERTIFICATES, REQUIREMENTS, AND FEE
12 ACCOUNTING. (a) The board shall establish, by regulation, various
13 classes or types of teacher certificates, the requirements and appli-
14 cation process for issuance of each type, and the fees to be charged.

15 (b) The department shall issue a teacher certificate to each
16 individual who meets the requirements established under (a) of this
17 section.

18 (c) If, despite diligent efforts, an employer has been unable to
19 fill a position that requires certification with an individual holding
20 a certificate, the employer may request the commissioner to issue an
21 emergency teacher certificate to an individual to enable the individu-
22 al to fill the position. The board may adopt additional regulations
23 concerning issuance of emergency certificates. The commissioner may
24 issue the emergency certificate if satisfied that the requirements of
25 this section and the appropriate regulations are met.

26 (d) The commissioner of administration shall separately account
27 for teacher certification fees deposited by the department in the
28 general fund. The annual estimated balance in the account may be used
29 by the legislature to make appropriations to the department to carry

1 out the purposes of this section and to support the activities of the
2 Professional Teaching Practices Commission under AS 14.20.460, 14.20.-
3 470, and 14.20.500.

4 * Sec. 2. AS 14.20.215(6) is repealed and reenacted to read:

5 (6) "teacher" means an individual who, for compensation,
6 instructs, teaches, counsels, tests, or evaluates public school stu-
7 dents in any grade from kindergarten through 12, who is not supervised
8 by another individual in the same room or classroom, and includes

9 (A) an individual serving in an administrative capac-
10 ity who supervises teachers;

11 (B) a provider of special education and related ser-
12 vices;

13 (C) a school counselor;

14 (D) a school nurse; and

15 (E) a school psychologist.