

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 217 (FINANCE)
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/22/91
Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES ELLIS, Gruenberg, C.Davis, Kubina, Carney, Lincoln, Brown, Bruckman, Ivan, Boyer, Donley, Ulmer, Navarre, Davidson, B.Davis, Koponen, Moyer, Finkelstein, Parnell, MacLean

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the state Board of Education."**

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 *** Section 1.** AS 14.07.085(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) The seven members of the board, no more than four of whom shall be members of
5 the same political party [AS THE GOVERNOR], shall be appointed by the governor, subject to
6 confirmation by a majority of the members of the legislature in joint session. In appointing
7 board members, the governor shall consider recommendations made by recognized educational
8 associations in the state.

9 *** Sec. 2.** AS 14.07.085(b) is amended to read:

10 (b) One member shall be appointed from each of the four judicial districts and three from
11 the state at large. At [WITH AT] least one member shall be a person who resides in a
12 [REPRESENTING] regional educational attendance area [AREAS].

13 *** Sec. 3.** AS 14.07.095 is amended to read:

14 Sec. 14.07.095. TERM OF OFFICE. The members of the board shall be appointed for

1 overlapping four-year [FIVE-YEAR] terms commencing February 1 of the year of appointment.
2 A member appointed to fill a vacancy serves for the unexpired term of the member whose
3 vacancy is filled. A vacancy occurring during a term of office is filled in the same manner as
4 the original appointment.

5 * Sec. 4. AS 14.07.115 is repealed and reenacted to read:

6 Sec. 14.07.115. REMOVAL OF BOARD MEMBERS. The governor may remove a
7 board member only for neglect of duty or misconduct in office. The governor shall initiate a
8 removal by delivering to the member a written copy of the charges and giving the member an
9 opportunity to be heard in person or by counsel at a public hearing before the governor or the
10 governor's designee. The member shall receive written notice of the charges by registered mail
11 at least 10 days before a hearing on the removal and has the right to confront and cross-examine
12 witnesses who testify. The removal is effective 15 days after the governor files a complete
13 statement of all charges made against the member in the main office of the board.

14 * Sec. 5. APPLICABILITY. AS 14.07.095, as amended by sec. 3 of this Act, applies to the term
15 of a member of the state Board of Education appointed after the effective date of this Act.