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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Introduced: 2/19/91
Referred: HES and Finance

A RESOLUTION

Establishing the Joint Committee on School Improvement.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS the Joint Committee on School Performance was established during the Sixteenth Alaska State Legislature to review school performance issues and to make recommendations to the legislature; and

WHEREAS the recommendations of the committee are contained in two comprehensive reports to the legislature; and

WHEREAS more than one-fourth of the state's budget goes to public schools, and the quality of school performance is a proper matter for continuing legislative attention; and

WHEREAS the legislature needs to continue to give extraordinary attention to school performance and improvement; and

WHEREAS legislative measures developed by the committee and enacted into law by the Sixteenth Alaska State Legislature need to be monitored by the legislature to guarantee that they are implemented correctly and promptly and to determine if further legislation is needed; and

WHEREAS the work of the committee should be continued through the establishment of a Joint Committee on School Improvement for the Seventeenth Alaska State Legislature;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that a Joint Committee on School Improvement is established consisting of three members to be appointed by the President of the Senate and three members to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Joint Committee on School Improvement shall review the work of the Joint Committee on School Performance established by the Sixteenth Alaska State Legislature, monitor the implementation of the laws developed by the Joint Committee on School Performance, and identify subjects for priority legislative attention; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Joint Committee on School Improvement shall make a thorough investigation of the finance and governance systems used in the public schools and school districts in the state; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Joint Committee on School Improvement is authorized to take action only upon majority approval of the Senate and House members of the Joint Committee on School Improvement; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Joint Committee on School Improvement is authorized to meet during each session and each interim of the Seventeenth Alaska State Legislature; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Joint Committee on School Improvement shall submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the legislature by the 15th day of the Second Session of the Seventeenth Alaska State Legislature and, on the first day of the First Regular Session of the Eighteenth Alaska State Legislature, the joint committee shall submit a final report and is terminated.