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STEVE COWPER  
GOVERNOR



STATE OF ALASKA  
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February 17, 1988

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The Honorable Ben Grussendorf  
Speaker of the House  
Alaska State Legislature  
P.O. Box V  
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Representative Grussendorf:

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the establishment and operation of a state boarding school. The Department of Education (department) already operates such a school on Japonski Island in Sitka -- Mt. Edgecumbe High School. This bill would, among other things, institutionalize certain funding for the school under the public school foundation program and clarify certain aspects of the operation of the school and the status of its employees. A section-by-section analysis of the bill follows.

Section 1 of the bill creates new AS 14.16, which contains the following new sections:

Proposed AS 14.16.010 authorizes the department to establish and operate a state boarding school, to be known as Mt. Edgecumbe High School, to offer a secondary education curriculum and provide domiciliary services to its students.

Proposed AS 14.16.020 requires the board, in operating the school, to adopt a philosophy of education, employ a chief school administrator and approve the employment of necessary personnel, establish the salaries and benefits of its teachers (excluding administrators), designate the employees authorized to direct disbursements, provide custodial services and routine maintenance, establish procedures for the development and implementation of curriculum and instructional materials, provide health evaluation and placement screening programs for newly admitted students, establish procedures for staff evaluation, and provide staff training.

Proposed AS 14.16.030 requires the board to establish admissions standards and procedures by regulation, and permits the school to admit students meeting those criteria.

Proposed AS 14.16.040 establishes the state boarding school as a public school of the state.

Proposed AS 14.16.050 makes certain other provisions of AS 14 applicable to the state boarding school as if it were a school district. Especially noteworthy are the provisions making the statutes in AS 14.20, pertaining to employment, tenure, salaries, and collective bargaining for teachers, applicable to the state boarding school as if it were a school district. Note, however, that AS 14.20.550 -- 14.20.610, regarding collective bargaining, would allow the board to delegate its bargaining responsibilities.

Proposed AS 14.16.060 provides that the employees of the state boarding school are state employees.

Proposed AS 14.16.070 provides that the Public Employment Relations Act (AS 23.40.070 -- 23.40.260) applies to the employees of the state boarding school who are not subject to AS 14.20, i.e., those employees who are not teachers or administrators. It should also be noted that the certificated teachers in the Mt. Edgecumbe School are already in the exempt service under 39.25.110(7).

Proposed AS 14.16.080 provides for the applicability of certain financial provisions in other statutes.

Section 2 of the bill amends AS 14.17.010(a) to reflect that money appropriated to the public school foundation account may be distributed to the state boarding school.

Section 3 of the bill creates a new AS 14.17.024. Subsection (a) of the proposed section provides for funding from the public school foundation account, in an amount that is generally equivalent to the amount that would be generated by a single funding community school district, for instructional services provided by the state boarding school. Subsection (b) of this proposed new section provides that, in addition, the governor shall request appropriation of program receipts and federal aid received on behalf of the school, as well as amounts necessary for domiciliary services, student transportation, and maintenance and operation of the school's physical plant.

Section 4 of the bill amends AS 14.30.010(b)(10) to provide an exception to the state's compulsory education statute, which would otherwise require students to attend school in the district in which they reside, for students attending the state boarding school.

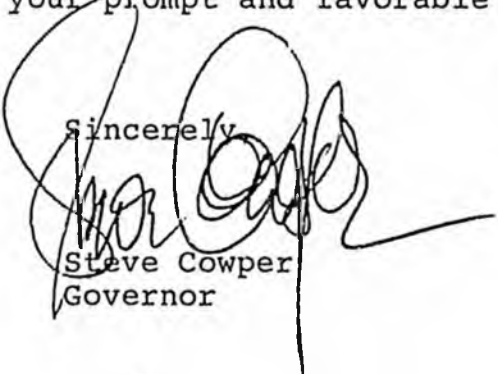
Section 5 of the bill amends AS 36.30.850(b) by adding a paragraph (14) to exempt the state boarding school from application of the State Procurement Code (AS 36.30) if the board or the commissioner of the department adopts procurement and contracting regulations for use by the school.

Section 6 of the bill is a transition section providing for the continuance of pending litigation, hearings, investigations, and other proceedings, and contractual and other legal obligations.

Sections 7 and 8 of the bill provide that sec. 3 (funding for the state boarding school) will take effect July 1, 1988, while the other sections of the bill will take effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

The State Board of Education and the Department of Education support this bill. I urge your prompt and favorable consideration of it.

Sincerely,



Steve Cowper  
Governor

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: Establishment and operation of a state board school.  
Sponsor: Rules Committee  
Requestor: Governor

Agency Affected: Education  
BRU: Mt. Edgecumbe and K-12 Support  
Components: All of Mt. Edgecumbe Foundation

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

See attached analysis; FY89 budget revisions will be necessary for several budget components: there is a net zero effect on the overall budget.

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Approved by Commissioner: William G. Demmert  
Agency: Department of Education

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## Mt. Edgecumbe Fiscal Note Analysis

<u>Budget Component</u>	<u>FY89 Gov Budget</u>	<u>Proposed under Bill</u>
Mt. Edgecumbe		
Maint & Op	0	0
Instructional	1322.2 GF	0 GF
	<u>63.0 Oth</u>	<u>63.0 Oth</u>
Subtotal Instructional	1385.2	63.0
Residential	1510.0 GF	1565.3 GF (1)
Private & Federal Grants	28.5 Oth	28.5 Oth
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SUB-TOTAL	\$2923.7	\$1656.8
K-12 Support		
Foundation	411,913.0 GF	413,179.9 GF (2)
	21,246.1 PL874	21,246.1 PL874
	<u>8,830.9 PSF</u>	<u>8,830.9 PSF</u>
Subtotal Foundation	\$441,990.0	\$443,256.9
TOTAL	<u>\$444,913.7</u>	<u>\$444,913.7</u>

## Footnotes:

1) Increase of \$55.3 for one round trip for each student between the student's place of residence and Mt. Edgecumbe (page 6, line 22-24).

2) Increase by \$1266.9 for Mt. Edgecumbe allocation under proposed formula as follows: State Aid (20.33 Units x \$60.0) \$1219.8

10% PL874 Revenues generated by Mt. Edgecumbe students (budgeted revenue for foundation program, included within PL874 \$21,246.1) 47.1

Total Instructional Program aid under Formula \$1266.9