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409

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SB 409

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5/2/90

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)

Date Referred: April 28, 1990

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 5/2/90

The HEALTH, EDUCATION, & SOCIAL SERVICES Committee considered: SB 409

SENATE BILL NO. 409

SCHOOL TRAINING FOR ALCOHOL BIRTH DEFECTS

"An Act relating to training for teachers and certain school officials."

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- be replaced with HCS SB 409 the same title
 a new title
 have attached amendment(s)
 do pass
 do not pass
 no recommendation
 individual recommendations
 additional referral to the FINANCE Committee

ADOPTS: _____ letter of intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(s):
(Dept)

APPROVES PREVIOUS:

(Date/Dept)

- fiscal impact _____
 zero fiscal note _____
 zero with analysis _____

- fiscal note(s) 2/23/90 / DOE
 zero fiscal note(s) _____
 zero fn/analysis _____

SIGNING DO-PASS:

SIGNING:

(Check approp. column)

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Pass
No Rec
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Chairman's Signature

A M E N D M E N T #1

OFFERED IN THE HOUSE

TO: SB 409

Page 2, line 5, after "1992":

Insert "or within 45 days after the teacher, administrator, counselor,
or specialist began work, whichever is later."

STATE OF ALASKA
1990 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL VERSION: SB 409 (a)
PUBLISH DATE: 2/23/90

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____
Title: Training for Teachers and
certain State Officials
Sponsor: Binkley
Requestor: Senate CERA

Agency Affected: Education
BRU: Educational Program Support
Component: Office of the Director

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL	15.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
CONTRACTUAL	25.5	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0	13.0
SUPPLIES	3.0					
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0	30.0
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	83.5	45.0	45.0	45.0	45.0	45.0

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	83.5	45.0	45.0	45.0	45.0	45.0
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

See attached analysis.

Prepared by: Toni Kahklen-Jones
Division: Educational Program Support

Phone: 465-2830
Date: 2/21/90

Approved by Commissioner: William G. Demmert
Agency: Education

Date: 2/21/90

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Narrative Outline - Fiscal Note for SB 409

FY'91

Personal Services

-0-

Travel

15,000

Task Force: Nine (9) members at three (3) meetings to determine content of the inservice training module for serving FAS/FAE students.

Contractual

35,500

Phone/audio conference, phone contact with other states, task force members, and in-state school districts, other agencies, and task force members development of training program. (2,500)

Development of Training materials; trainer for pilot training and summer academies - identify experts and materials to provide training (15,000).

Print and duplicate materials for all the school districts (15,000).

Postage for sending materials to school districts (3,000).

Commodities

3,000

Supplies, and purchasing copyright of training materials.

Grant

30,000

June '91 Summer Academies (Fairbanks, Anchorage, Juneau) Training of Trainers/Scholarships to school districts.

Total

83,500

FY'92-'96

(each year)

Travel

2,000

Subsequent years inservice training related travel, technical assistance to school districts, and revisions to the training module and materials.

Contractual

13,000

Phone/audio conference (2,500)
Print materials, updating/revision of materials for school district use. (7,500)
Postage (2,000)
Purchase of copyright (1,000)

Grant

30,000

Scholarships for school districts to participate in Summer Academy Training or for accessing trainers through the Talent Bank to provide staff in-service training in their district.

Total

\$45,000

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: _____
 Title: An Act relating to Training for Teachers and Certain School Officials
 Sponsor: Binkley
 Requestor: _____

Agency Affected: Health & Social Services
 BRU: _____
 Components: _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
CAPITAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
REVENUE	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

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

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PART-TIME	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TEMPORARY	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

FY 90 fiscal impact is "0."

Prepared by: Sally Mead Phone: 361-4211
 Division: Office of Prevention Date: _____
 Approved by Commissioner: *Mira M. Hanson* Date: 2/2/90
 Agency: Department of Health & Social Services

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Alaska State Legislature

SENATE

Committee on Finance

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MEMORANDUM

April 30, 1990

TC: Representative Johnny Ellis, Chairman
House Health, Education and Social Services Committee

FROM: Senator John Binkley *John*

RE: Senate Bill 409 - Relating to training for teachers
and certain school officials

SB 409 would require school districts and REAA's to train teachers and other school personnel on alcohol-related birth defects. This would include special educational needs.

Children with alcohol-related birth defects, both Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and Fetal Alcohol Effects, show symptoms of hyperactivity, poor coordination, and noncompliance. In school they require constant supervision, have difficulty with change, require additional classroom structure, and have extremely low attention spans.

Not all of these children are referred to special education. Not all of these children are developmentally disabled. Yet all of these children present special challenges to parents, teachers, and other care providers.

The Department of Education has responded to SB 409 with a plan to develop training materials for inservice instruction, to be implemented during the 1991-1992 school year.

The bill is supported by NEA, Alaska Association of School Boards, the Department of Education, the Office of Prevention, Tanana Chiefs Conference, RurAL CAP, AFN, Village Participation Conference, the FAS/FAE Support Network in Alaska.

Senate Bill 409

Relating to training for teachers
and certain school officials

Sectional

Section 1. Amends AS 14.20 under Required Training for Education Statutes to add a new section.

AS 14.20.680 (a) School districts and REAA's would be required to train teachers, administrators, counselors, and other school specialists on medical and psychological effects of alcohol-related disabilities and on the specific educational needs of these children.

AS 14.20.680 (b) Newly hired employees would be required to be trained within 45 days.

Section 2. Applicability.

Current employees, including those employed at the time of enactment, and those hired after enactment but before July 1, 1992, shall be trained before July 1, 1992.



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March 26, 1990

TO: Senator Rick Uehling and Senator John Binkley, Co-Chairs, and members of the Senate Finance Committee

FROM: Don Oberg, NEA-Alaska

RE: SB 409, "An Act relating to training of teachers and certain school officials"

NEA-Alaska supports passage of Senate Bill 409.

The appalling rate of alcohol abuse in Alaska makes it imperative that something be done to deal with secondary results of that abuse as it manifests itself in classrooms throughout the state.

Educational Employees are concerned about those children who suffer from Fetal Alcohol Syndrome, or exhibit aberrant behavior associated with living in households with alcoholics, and symptoms of alcoholism in the children themselves.

NEA-Alaska believes that an appropriate route for providing this needed training would be the use of existing inservice training days, so that teachers would not have to bear the burden of additional financial cost or impairment of job security.

In addition, NEA-Alaska believes the proposed legislation should include significant penalties for districts not complying with this requirement.

The problems of alcohol abuse in Alaska are tremendous. The reality of raising future generations of people whose formative years are already endangered by the alcoholism of their families brings to mind the specter of a calamity too frightening to be ignored.

NEA-Alaska supports speedy passage of SB 409.

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April 9, 1990

Senator Paul A. Fischer
Chairman, HESS Committee
Alaska State Legislature
P.O. Box V (MS 3100)
Juneau AK 99811

RE: Senate Bill 409

Dear Chairman Fischer:

The Tanana Chiefs Conference, Inc. (TCC) favors passage of Senate Bill 409, an act relating to training for teachers and other school officials.


There is a definite need for specific educational needs of students with alcohol-related disabilities. The average IQ of fetal alcohol syndrome (FAS) children generally ranges from 20 to 90. For children with fetal alcohol effects (FAE), the range is 39 to 105. The average for both groups is 68. Average normal IQ generally range from 95 to 105. Intellectual and behavioral problems associated with FAS and FAE are often not recognized until they enter school. These children may have problems in areas of verbal comprehension, attention and memory. Academic performances often peaks at ages 12 to 15 (grades 6 to 8) and shows little improvement after this time.

Educators and administrators in our school systems must be made aware of the medical and psychological characteristics of FAS and FAE. They must learn how to create and implement an instruction program specifically geared to students with alcohol-related disabilities. The more knowledge you disseminate about FAS and FAE, the better equipped society becomes at addressing the problems that are associated with this illness.

TCC passed Board Resolution 90-120 at its annual meeting held in March. The 43 villages who gave unanimous approval to this resolution continue to feel FAS/FAE education and treatment is one of our top priorities. By way of this letter, I will share the Resolution with your Committee members. We would appreciate your scheduling this bill and passage out of your Committee as soon as possible. Thank you.

Sincerely,

TANANA CHIEFS CONFERENCE, INC.


Michael Graf, Director
Community Health Services

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Attachment: TCC Board Resolution 90-120

cc: Senate HESS Committee

TANANA CHIEFS CONFERENCE, INC.
Board of Directors
Resolution No. 90-120

FAS SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS

WHEREAS. Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS) affects children and adults throughout the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS. children affected by FAS require special attention, including special educational services; and

WHEREAS. the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Indian Health service, and all Native organizations in Alaska should be concerned with FAS and its implications, specifically in regards to the present and emerging needs for special education for FAS children; and

WHEREAS. the Tanana Chiefs Conference, the Fairbanks Native Association, Inc., Doyon, Limited, and the Denakanaaga Elders recognize that the present and anticipated educational problems of FAS children are of great concern to these organizations.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Tanana Chiefs Conference request the State of Alaska and BIA, Indian Health Service to fund a study and develop a plan concerning the special education needs of FAS children and informational program of awareness of FAS for high school student in school systems throughout Alaska; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we request the State of Alaska, the BIA, Indian Health Service, and all Social Service Organizations develop a plan to meet the special educational needs of this population, and provide the special education services that are needed by FAS children.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that this resolution was duly passed by the Tanana Chiefs Conference, Inc. Board of Directors on March 15, 1990 at Fairbanks, Alaska and a quorum was duly established.



Mitch Demientzell
Secretary-Treasurer
Tanana Chiefs Conference, Inc.

Submitted by: FNA