

HB 56

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(11)

Date Referred: February 19, 1991

FURTHER REFERRALS:

Date of Committee Action: 2/27/91

The FINANCE Committee considered:

HB 56

HOUSE BILL NO. 56

TEACHING CERTIFICATES FOR RETIREES

"An Act relating to certification of retired teachers."

RECOMMENDATIONS:

be replaced with CS HB 56 (fin) the same title

a new title

have attached amendments(s)

do pass

do not pass

no recommendations

individual recommendations

additional referral to the _____ Committee

ADOPTS: _____ letter of Intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S): _____ (Dept)

APPROVES PREVIOUS: _____ (Dept/Date)

fiscal impact _____

fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note HFC 2-27-91

zero fiscal note(s) _____

SIGNING DO PASS:

SIGNING OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

	Check appropriate column:	Do Not	No Rec	Amend
		Pass		
<i>Mike Havame</i>				
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<i>Tamara Barnes</i>				
<i>Mark Boyer</i>				
<i>Donald J. ...</i>				
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<i>Colleen ...</i>				
<i>Ken ...</i>				

Mike Havame Eileen Muehan
Chairman's Signature

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 56 (FINANCE)
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered:
Referred:

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES NAVARRE, B.Davis

A BILL
FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to certification of retired teachers; and providing for an effective date."

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

3 * Section 1. AS 14.20.020 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

4 (g) The department shall issue a teacher certificate to a person who possessed a valid
5 teacher certificate upon retirement and who is receiving retirement benefits under the Teachers'
6 Retirement System of Alaska. A teacher certificate issued under this subsection is valid for the
7 life of the retired teacher and qualifies the holder as a substitute teacher in the state.

8 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect July 1, 1991.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1991 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSHB 56 (FIN)

Revision Date: _____ Department Affected: Education
 Title: Certification of Retired BRU: Education Finance & Support Services
Teachers Component: Teacher Certification Unit
 Sponsor: Navarre
 Requestor: House Finance Committee COMPONENT SERIAL NO.

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Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97
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-
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REVENUE	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

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

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: NONE

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

Mike Navarre
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 Division: HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE Date: 2/27/91

Approved by Commissioner: _____
 Agency: _____ Date: _____

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FISCAL NOTE

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 Component: Teacher Certification Unit
 Sponsor: Navarre
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Expenditures/Revenues: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL	6.0					
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS. CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	6.0	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE						
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	6.0					
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	6.0	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year impact: None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.) Implementation of HB56 requires a one-time contract for computer programming to revise the teacher certification tracking system.

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REPRESENTATIVE MIKE NAVARRE

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February 22, 1991

Sponsor Statement

FROM: Representative Mike Navarre

SUBJECT: House Bill 56, An Act relating to lifetime certificates for retired teachers.

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Purpose of HB 56

House Bill 56 is an innocuous bill that provides a lifetime certificate for retired teachers. The lifetime certificate would allow retired teachers to substitute without having to renew their certificate every five years.

Points of Interest

1. Retired teachers are a valuable asset to any school district and their expertise should be utilized.
2. Certification for retired teachers who have a long career behind them seems to be a redundant requirement. A substitute is involved in a wide range subject areas. The obvious question to follow with is "In what subject area do they take their six credit hour certification requirements?"
3. HB 56 is not a burden to local school districts because they retain the right to select their substitutes.
4. HB 56 applies to teachers who are members of TRS. If a teacher decides to reenter the teaching profession as a full-time teacher, then the teacher must reapply through the normal certification procedure.
5. Finally, HB 56 is a simple, harmless, but helpful piece of legislation that benefits a group of retired teachers who would like to continue on a limited basis their contribution to the children of Alaska.
6. HB 56 would provide the opportunity for the retired teacher to substitute teach at a higher rate of pay. Since school districts desire certificated instructors in the classroom HB 56 would not impose an unusual or additional cost burden on the school districts.

Anticipated Costs of HB 56

There are no costs for HB 56, because a school district maintains the right to hire noncertificated, therefore less costly substitute teachers.

I have suggested to the Department of Education that a one time fee of \$100 be set to offset any costs that may be associated with the implementation and operation of this program.

The Department of Education notified my office this morning (2/13/91) that a fiscal note of \$6,000 will be requested for a computer update that will allow DOE to track retired teachers.

Support for HB 56

Support letters are attached to this statement.

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February 11, 1991

To: Representatives Carney and Lincoln, Co-Chairs
Members, House HESS Committee

Re: HB 56; *"An Act to certification of retired
teachers."*

NEA-Alaska supports and encourages your favorable consideration of HB 56.

This legislation represents a statement of appreciation to teachers who have dedicated their professional career to public education in Alaska. It is also a statement of the worth of their continued contribution.

A person who has retired from teaching in the public schools in Alaska has a wealth of experience and valuable background information which will make them more effective as a substitute teacher should they chose to continue teaching on a limited time basis.

HB 56 places no additional burden on employing school districts since they retain the prerogative of selection in their choice of substitute teachers for their districts.

Thank you for your consideration of our recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Manners
Executive Director

Don Oberg
President

cc: Representative Navarre

Feb. 10, 1991
Soldotna, Ak. 99669

Rep. Mike Navarre.

I would like to express your support for HB. 56.

This is a bill which would benefit a group of people on limited, fixed incomes.

It would make available more people to substitute at a decent day wage without putting out a good sum of money for recertification. Many people are unable to put out the price for recertification.

This bill would not involve a great expenditure to the state and would help and reward a segment of the population who have invested years of service in the state.

Thank you.

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For 34 years I have taught school in Alaska - first as a full time teacher and now for over years as a substitute. Alaska is home - By giving your support for House Bill 56 we retired teachers Alaska can enjoy a full retirement, and all of Alaska will gain

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