

HB

56

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
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February 12, 1991

MEMORANDUM

TO: Representative Pat Carney, Co-Chair HESS Committee
Representative Georgianna Lincoln, Co-Chair HESS

FROM: Representative Mike Navarre

SUBJECT: House Bill 56, An Act relating to teaching 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 is to 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.
4. 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.

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.

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 memorandum.

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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 enlist 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 discount, days 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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House Bill 56

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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 teacher
 in Nome - By giving your support
 for House Bill 56 we will
 teaching Alaska can enjoy a full
 retirement, and all of Alaska will
 gain

Danna Nelson

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(7)

Date Referred: January 22, 1991

FURTHER REFERRALS: Finance

Date of Committee Action: 2/14/91

The HESS Committee considered:

HB 56

HOUSE BILL NO. 56 TEACHING CERTIFICATES FOR RETIREES

"An Act relating to certification of retired teachers."

RECOMMENDATIONS: [] the same title
 be replaced with _____ [] 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 _____

zero fiscal note(s) _____

SIGNING DO PASS:

SIGNING OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

	Check appropriate column:	Do Not Pass	No Rec	Amend
<i>Pat W. Ems</i>				
<i>Cheri Davis</i>				
<i>Mary Miller</i>				
<i>John C. Gonzales</i>				
<i>Bettye Davy</i>				
<i>Jacqueline</i>				
<i>Mark Stanley</i>				

Pat W. Ems

 Chairman's Signature

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1991 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HB56

Revision Date: _____ Department Affected: Education
 Title: Certification of retired teachers BRU: Education Finance & Support Services
 Component: Teacher Certification Unit
 Sponsor: Navarre
 Requestor: House HESS 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	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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