

**SB**

**141**

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# SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 3/18/93

FURTHER:

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: 4-10-93

The Finance Committee considered **SENATE BILL NO. 141**

"An Act extending workers' compensation coverage to certain high school students in uncompensated work-study programs."

and recommends:

- replace with \_\_\_\_\_ CS \_\_\_\_\_ (FINANCE)
- or  adopt previous CS 5B141 (L+C)
- attaches amendment(s)

- same title
- new title
- technical title change (HB only)

adopts \_\_\_\_\_ Letter of Intent

further referral to the \_\_\_\_\_

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

**NEW FISCAL NOTES**

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal
<u>DLabor</u>	<u>3-23-93</u>	<u>0</u>	

**PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTES**

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal
<u>Dept of Admin</u>	<u>3/18/93</u>		<u>\$24.0</u>
<u>Dept of Educ</u>	<u>3/18/93</u>		<u>24.0</u>

Appropriation No Fiscal Note

**DO PASS:**

*Greg Jack*  
*Tim Kell*  
*Ben Sharp*  
*True Deane*  
 Co-Chair: Signature/Recommendation

**OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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 Co-Chair: Signature/Recommendation

FISCAL NOTE

No. 5

STATE OF ALASKA  
1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Bill Version: CSSB 141 (L&C)

(S) Publish Date: 3-18-93

Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Department Affected: Administration

Title: "An act relating to workers' compensation coverage for certain HS students--" BRU: Risk Management  
Component: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor: Kelly

Requestor: \_\_\_\_\_ COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 0071

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:

OPERATING	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
PERSONAL SERVICES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TRAVEL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
CONTRACTUAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
SUPPLIES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
EQUIPMENT	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
LAND & STRUCTURES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
GRANTS, CLAIMS	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0
MISCELLANEOUS	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TOTAL OPERATING	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0

CAPITAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
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FUNDING:

1002 Federal Receipts	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
1003 GF Match	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
1004 GF	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
1005 GF/Program Receipts	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
1006 GF/MHTIA	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
OTHER	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0
TOTAL	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0

POSITIONS:

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

Estimate of current year (FY93) impact: -0-

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

See attached.

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Division: Risk Management

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by Commissioner: Nancy Bear Usery  
Agency: Administration

Date: 3/17/93

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STATE OF ALASKA  
1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. CSSB141  
(L & C)

ANALYSIS: (continued)

CSSB141 (L & C) increases State workers compensation exposure for high school students in work study programs by extending present statute to include those students working for "profit" employers. It is our feeling that passage of this bill may provide for a substantial increase in number of students involved in this program.

The fiscal note is difficult to estimate but this CS provides for medical and related benefits only and excludes any weekly compensation benefit.

During FY92 State workers compensation medical benefits represented approximately 48% of total workers compensation benefits. Since young people may be expected to recover more quickly we have reduced estimated medical and related costs by 50% of our present experience average.

Since the Division of Risk Management's funding is collected through Reimbursable Services Agreements (RSA's) from the agencies, the additional cost of this program should be reflected in a Department of Education fiscal note for the same amount of General Funds.

# FISCAL NOTE

No. 4

Bill Version: CSSB 141 (LRC)

(S) Publish Date: 3-18-93

STATE OF ALASKA  
1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Revision Date: 3/17/93

Title: An Act extending workers' compensation coverage to certain high school work-study programs

Sponsor: Senator Tim Kelly

Requestor: Senator Tim Kelly

Department Affected: Education

BRU: K-12 Support

Component: Foundation Program

COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 141

(Thousands of Dollars)

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
OPERATING						
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>24.0</b>

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:						
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**FUNDING:**

(Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0	24.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1006 GF/MHTIA						
Other						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>24.0</b>

**POSITIONS:**

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year (FY93) impact: -0-

**ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)**

Department of Education costs derived from information and analysis prepared by the Department of Administration in conjunction with the Department of Labor. This amount represents estimated claims incurred on behalf of students for medical costs only which result from work related accidents while participating in work-study programs. It would be a direct pass-through via RSA to the Department of Administration.

Prepared by: Duane Guiley  
Division: School Finance

Phone: 465-8679  
Date: 3-17-93

Approved by Commissioner: [Signature]  
Agency: Education

Jerry Covey  
Date: 3-17-93

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# FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA  
1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO : CSSB 141 (L&C)

Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: Workers' Comp for Work-Study  
Students  
 Sponsor: Senator Kelly  
 Requestor: Senate Finance

Department Affected: Labor  
 BRU: Workers' Compensation  
 Component: Workers' Compensation  
 COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 344

**EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:**

(Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

<b>CAPITAL</b>						
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<b>REVENUE FUND SOURCE:</b>						
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**FUNDING:**

(Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipt						
1006 GF/MHTIA						
Other						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

**POSITIONS:**

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year (FY93) impact: \$ None

**ANALYSIS:** (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Prepared by: Paul B. Arnoldt, Director *Paul B. Arnoldt* Phone: 465-2790  
 Division: Workers' Compensation Date: 3/23/93  
 Approved by Commissioner: Charles W. Mahlen *John E. Mahlen*  
 Agency: Department of Labor Date: 3/23/93

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CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 141(L&C)  
 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
 EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/18/93  
 Referred: FINANCE

Sponsor(s): SENATOR KELLY

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to workers' compensation coverage for certain high school  
 2 students in uncompensated work-study programs."

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

4 \* Section 1. AS 23.30.237 is amended to read:

5           Sec. 23.30.237. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN WORK-STUDY  
 6 PROGRAMS AS EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE. An individual who is enrolled for  
 7 credit at a public high school in a course that combines academic instruction with  
 8 uncompensated work experience outside the school for a public or private  
 9 [NONPROFIT] employer is an employee of the state for the purposes of this chapter  
 10 while the individual is performing the work experience. Notwithstanding any other  
 11 provisions of this chapter, a person eligible for benefits [WEEKLY  
 12 COMPENSATION FOR DISABILITY OR DEATH] under this section who suffers  
 13 an injury may not receive compensation but shall receive medical and related  
 14 benefits provided under AS 23.30.095. Nothing in this section allows an individual

to perform work experience that is not permitted under state or federal law  
[MAY NOT BE LESS THAN THE INITIAL PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION  
UNDER AS 23.30.175].

# FISCAL NOTE

Bill Version: SB 141

(S) Publish Date: 3-18-93

**STATE OF ALASKA**

**1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Department Affected: Education

Title: An Act extending workers' compensation coverage to certain high school work-study programs

BRU: K-12 Support

Sponsor: Senator Tim Kelly

Component: Foundation Program

Requestor: Senator Tim Kelly

COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 141

**Expenditures/Revenues:**

(Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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<b>REVENUE FUND SOURCE:</b>						
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**FUNDING:**

(Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1006 GF/MHTIA						
Other						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**POSITIONS:**

<b>FULL-TIME</b>						
<b>PART-TIME</b>						
<b>TEMPORARY</b>						

Estimate of current year (FY93) impact: -0-

**ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)**

Department of Education costs derived from information and analysis prepared by the Department of Administration in conjunction with the Department of Labor. This amount represents estimated claims incurred on behalf of students participating in work-study programs. It would be a direct pass-through via RSA to the Department of Administration.

Prepared by: Duane Guiley  
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 Date: 3-2-93

Approved by Commissioner: [Signature]  
 Agency: Education

Jerry Covey  
 Date: 3-2-93

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# FISCAL NOTE

No. 2

STATE OF ALASKA  
1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL

Bill Version: SB 141

(S) Publish Date: 3-18-93

Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: Workers' Comp for Work-Study  
Students  
 Sponsor: Senator Kelly  
 Requestor: Senate Labor & Commerce

Department Affected: Labor  
 BRU: Workers' Compensation  
 Component: Workers' Compensation  
 COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 344

**EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:**

(Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:						
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**FUNDING:**

(Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipt						
1006 GF/MHTIA						
Other						
<b>TOTAL</b>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

**POSITIONS:**

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year (FY93) impact: \$ None

Changes in CSSB 141 (R. 2)  
 have no fiscal impact. This  
 fiscal note is appropriate.  
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**ANALYSIS:** (Attach a separate page if necessary)

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 Division: Workers' Compensation Date: 3/8/93

Approved by Commissioner: Charles W. Mahlen *C. Mahlen*  
 Agency: Department of Labor Date: 3/8/93

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FISCAL NOTE

No. 3

Bill Version: SB 141

(S) Publish Date: 3-18-93

STATE OF ALASKA  
1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Department Affected: Administration

Title: "An Act extending workers' compensation coverage to certain high school students in uncompensated work-study programs."

BRU: Risk Management

Sponsor: Keily

Component: \_\_\_\_\_

Requestor: \_\_\_\_\_

COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 71

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:

OPERATING	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
PERSONAL SERVICES		0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	0	0	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0	0	0	0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
TOTAL OPERATING	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:	0	0	0	0	0	0
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FUNDING:

1002 Federal Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0
1003 GF Match	0	0	0	0	0	0
1004 GF	0	0	0	0	0	0
1005 GF/Program Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0
1006 GF/MHTIA	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

POSITIONS:

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

Estimate of current year (FY93) impact: 0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)  
See attached.

Prepared by: Donald J. Hitchcock  
Division: Risk Management

Phone: 465-2180  
Date: 3-5-93

Approved by Commissioner: Nancy Bear Usara  
Agency: Administration

Date: 3-5-93

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FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA  
1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. SB 141

ANALYSIS: (continued)

SB 141 increases State workers' compensation exposure for high school students in work-study programs. The bill requires that State workers' compensation protection be provided by the State for every high school student in a nonpay work-study program. It is our feeling that passage of this bill may provide for a very substantial increase in the numbers of students involved in this program.

This fiscal note is very difficult to estimate, but the additional exposure to the State appears substantial. Workers' compensation benefits for these students are controlled by Alaska Workers' Compensation statutes.

Since the Division of Risk Management's funding is collected through Reimbursable Services Agreements (RSAs) from the agencies, the additional cost of this program should be reflected in a Department of Education fiscal note for the same amount of General Funds.



Official Business

# Alaska State Legislature

**SENATOR TIM KELLY**

State Capitol  
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Senator Drue Pearce, Co-Chair  
Senator Steve Frank, Co-Chair  
Senate Finance Committee

**FROM:** Senator Tim Kelly *TK*

**DATE:** March 19, 1993

**RE:** CSSB 141 (L&C) - "An Act extending workers' compensation coverage for certain high school students in uncompensated work-study programs."

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I respectfully request that you schedule CSSB 141 (L&C) at the Senate Finance Committee's earliest convenience.

This legislation was introduced last session by Representative Bettye Davis and passed out of the House Labor & Commerce, Judiciary, and Finance Committees. It died in the House Rules Committee in the closing days. I've attached a memorandum from Representative Davis explaining the legislation, as well as additional back-up she has provided.

Under current law, students enrolled for credit at a public high school in a course which combines academic instruction with work experience outside the school for a public or private nonprofit employer is an employer of the State for workers' compensation purposes.

This bill would broaden this coverage so that all students participating for no financial compensation in on-the-job-training as part of an academic program would be covered. This would provide workers' compensation coverage to students who participate in automotive maintenance, welding, carpentry, and various other work study programs that are not non-profits. Without this change in law, such opportunities will be limited.

The Labor & Commerce Committee amended the bill so that uncompensated students injured at the worksite in a work-study program are considered state employees for the purpose of medical benefits under workers' compensation, but not for compensation for lost wages.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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REPRESENTATIVE BETTYE DAVIS  
DISTRICT 21

## MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL HOUSE MEMBERS  
FROM: REP. BETTYE DAVIS *BD*  
DATE: FEBRUARY 8, 1993  
RE: CO-SPONSORSHIP OF HB 118

Attached for your review is a copy of House Bill 118, extending workers' compensation coverage to certain high school students in uncompensated work study programs. This bill, which I sponsored last year, made it through its committees of referral and died in House Rules during the final days.

Because of the way A.S. 23.30.237 of the Worker's Compensation Act is worded, only students placed in public or private nonprofit sites become employees of the state, and are covered by Workers Compensation.

Under this bill, A.S. 23.30.237 would be modified by deleting "nonprofit". This change would allow the state Worker Compensation laws to cover all students who participate in on-the-job training, not just those who are on public or private nonprofit job sites.

On-the-job training is an essential element in the education of high school students who are interested in furthering their classroom training. An on-the-job training student is enrolled for credit in a course that combines academic/vocational instruction with work

MEMO FROM  
REP. DAVIS

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February 8, 1993

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experience outside of the school. A job coordinator works with the student and an employer, and assists in the development of a training plan that relates to the classroom instruction. The student earns high school credit but no pay.

There is great demand for programs such as Automotive Maintenance, Welding, Wildland/Fire Management, Auto Body, Carpentry, and Aviation Maintenance. Because these jobs include an element of risk just by the nature of the job being performed, employers will not, or are hesitant to place students in those sites.

Without this change in law, on-the-job training opportunities for students enrolled in courses combining work experience outside the school is limited to job sites that have little or no risk. While it is easy in offices as word processors, it is nearly impossible to place them with the airline industry or in jobs running heavy equipment. Schools are working diligently to encourage students into non-traditional roles in the work force. By limiting job training sites, they have limited access to role models in those jobs.

This is an important educational issue. It is to the benefit of every student enrolled in on-the-job training programs to have both public and private employers included in the Worker's Compensation Act.

If you are interesting in co-sponsoring this bill, or have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Renee Chatman of my staff at X3875.

FEB 11 1992

Anchorage School District  
King Career Center  
Anchorage, Alaska 99508  
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MEMORANDUM

February 10, 1992

To: Representative Bettye Davis  
From: Esther J. Cox, Principal *Esther Cox*  
Subject: HB 426

On-the-job training is an essential element in the education of high school aged students who are interested in furthering their classroom training. An on-the-job training student is enrolled for credit in high school in a course that combines academic/vocational instruction with work experience outside of the school in business. Working with the student and an employer is a job coordinator from the high school. It is the responsibility of this person to assist the employers in developing a training plan for the student that relates to the classroom instruction as well as continue as support for both the student and employer for the duration of the on-the-job training plan. The student earns high school credit but no pay.

On-the-job training provides opportunities for students that cannot be duplicated by the public school. Included with this memo is a copy of job sites of students who are enrolled in Emergency Medical Technology and Health Occupations here at the King Career Center. It becomes apparent immediately that employers are giving of time and effort to assist in training youth. Additional training sites are in demand by programs such as Automotive Maintenance, Welding, Wildland/Fire Management, Auto/Body, Carpentry, and Aviation Maintenance Technology; however, because of the way that Section 1, Section 23.30.237 of the Worker Compensation Act is worded, only students placed in public or private nonprofit sites become employees of the state, thus covered by Worker Compensation. Because the areas listed include an element of risk just by nature of the job being performed, employers will not or are extremely hesitant at best, to place students in those sites.

It is impossible for the public schools to maintain a forward edge in technology. For example, students in Automotive Maintenance learn the basics of the gasoline engines, repair skills, valve train repair, fuel systems, etc., but diagnostic computers are only found in the business world, and if students are prohibited from being placed on OJT sites because there is no Worker Compensation coverage for them, schools are not able to send finely trained personnel into the business world.

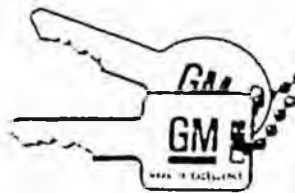
The rewording of Section 23.30.237 would strike nonprofit and allow the state Worker Compensation to cover all students who are on on-the-job training not just those who are on public or private nonprofit job sites.

Without this change in the regulation, on-the-job training opportunities for students enrolled in a course that combines work experience outside the school and classroom instruction is limited to job sites that have little or no element of risk. It is easy to place students in offices at word processors; It is nearly impossible to place students with the airline industry in the shops or running equipment on the tarmac. We are working diligently to encourage students into non-traditional roles in the world of work,

MEMO FROM THE  
ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

and with limitations of job training sites, they have limited access to the role models in those jobs.

This is not a labor issue. It is an educational issue. It is to the benefit of every student enrolled in on-the-job training through his/her high school classes for Section 23.30.237 of the Worker Compensation Act to include both public and private employers.



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FEBRUARY 18, 1992

REP. BETTY DAVIS  
ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE  
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DEAR MS. DAVIS:

AFTER A BREIF CONVERSATION WITH A ESTER COX, AT KING CAREER CENTER,  
IT IS OUR OPINION THE REVISION IN HOUSE BILL 426 SHOULD BE  
MANDATED IMMEDIATELY.

PRESENTLY THE WAY THIS BILL IS WRITTEN A PRIVATE FOR PROFIT EMPLOYER,  
SUCH AS OURSELVES, CANNOT AFFORD TO TRAIN AN OJT STUDENT AT OUR FACILITY  
DUE TO THE WORKMANS COMPENSATION LIABILITY.

SPECIFICALLY, WE AT ALASKA SALES AND SERVICE FEEL TRAINING AN OJT STUDENT  
WOULD BE BENEFICIAL WITHIN THE AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY. UPON THE STUDENTS  
GRADUATION HE/SHE WOULD BE:

1. FAMILIAR WITH THE INNER WORKINGS OF A DEALERSHIP.
2. KNOWLEDGEABLE OF CURRENT TECHNICAL REPAIRS.
3. QUALIFIED TO OPERATE ALL SPECIALIZED STATE OF THE  
ART TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT.

ADDITIONALLY, BY REVISING THIS BILL WE FEEL THE SKILLED LABOR FORCE WOULD  
BE EXPANDED FOR BOTH THE EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER.

IN CLOSING, WE ARE IS FULL SUPPORT OF THIS REVISION. SHOULD YOU REQUIRE  
FURTHER INFORMATION OR ASSISTANCE PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL ANYTIME.

SINCERELY,



WENDY RADER  
CUSTOMER RELATIONS MANAGER

Chevrolet

Pontiac

Buick

GMC Trucks

LETTERS OF SUPPORT



FEB 05 1992

January 31, 1992

Representative Bettye Davis  
Alaska State Legislature  
Room 409  
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Representative Davis:

I would like to request your support for HB426 which will extend coverage of workers compensation for high school students in on-the-job training in for-profit businesses and companies. In my capacity as the Assistant Principal of the King Career Center in Anchorage for the past five years, I have been aware of several possible on-the-job training (OJT) sites that fell through for our students because employers were unwilling to accept these students without this coverage. We feel that we could expand our outreach for training locations in many areas for our young people if HB426 were made into law. Thank you for your support on this matter.

Sincerely,

Richard Krieger,  
Assistant Principal

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CAREER CENTER  
ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
2650 E. NORTHERN LIGHTS BLVD. ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99508-4119 (907) 278-9631**

February 6, 1992

Representative Bettye Davis  
Alaska State Legislature  
Room 409  
Juneau, AK 99801

RE: SUPPORT OF HB 426

I am an instructor at the King Career Center in Anchorage, Alaska and am writing this letter of support for the legislative bill HB426. Within my program at the King Career Center, I place students in on-the-job sites with both profit as well as nonprofit businesses.

I have placed the majority of my students with state and federal agencies due to the fact that I can have students covered under "volunteer programs" within each of these agencies. On numerous occasions, I have asked "profit" companies to support OJT programs, but their concern and hesitance has come from concerns of who is responsible for the students welfare at the job site.

If this bill comes to pass, I truly believe it will make available to students many additional training sites by which they can receive hands-on work training skills.

Thank you for your efforts in pass this bill

Sincerely,



Mike Woods  
Wiland Management Instructor

"FROM THE DESK OF EDDIE BURKE"

DEAR SENATOR OR REPRESENTATIVE,

JAN 31, 1992

MY NAME IS EDDIE BURKE, I WILL BE IN JUNEAU FEBRUARY 5TH FOR ONE DAY. AS ONE OF YOUR CONSTITUENTS I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH YOU BRIEFLY. THE CONVERSATIONS I WILL DISCUSS WILL BE THE ANCHORAGE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES. I HOPE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO SEE ME DURING THAT DAY FOR APPROX 15 OR 20 MINUTES.

I WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO SUPPORT HB-426 SPONSORED BY REP-BETTY DAVIS. IT GIVES THE ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT THE ABILITY TO LET STUDENTS GO TO SERVICE STATIONS AND GARAGES TO OBTAIN O.J.T. FOR AUTOMOTIVE EXPERIENCE. WORKMAN COMP LAWS PROHIBIT THIS FROM HAPPENING IT IS VITAL THAT STUDENTS HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET THE HANDS ON TRAINING. I WILL BE DISCUSSING THIS FURTHER WITH YOU, ON FEBRUARY 5TH.

I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING WITH YOU AND DISCUSSING THE ABOVE ISSUES. GOOD LUCK IN THIS SESSION. FEEL FREE TO CALL OR FAX.

PHONE WK-277-7424 FAX 277-9768  
HOME-337-0388

RESPECTFULLY,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Eddie Burke", written over the word "RESPECTFULLY".

EDDIE BURKE.

# BARTLETT HIGH SCHOOL

25-500 N. Muldoon  
Anchorage, Alaska 99506  
(907) 337-1585



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February 5, 1992

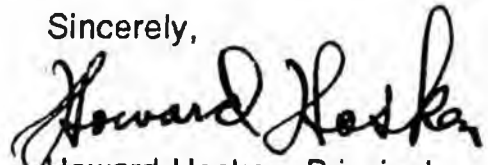
Representative Bettye Davis  
Alaska State Legislature  
Room 409  
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Representative Davis:

Please extend my support of House Bill 426 to expand opportunities for on-the-job-training programs for students. I do believe the term "non-profit" should be deleted from the wording.

I appreciate your continuing concern and support for the educational system in the State of Alaska.

Sincerely,

  
Howard Hosken, Principal  
Bartlett High School

§ 23.30.237

GENERAL PROVISIONS

§ 23.30.240

**Sec. 23.30.237. High school students in work-study programs as employees of the state.** An individual who is enrolled for credit at a public high school in a course which combines academic instruction with work experience outside the school for a public or private non-profit employer is an employee of the state for the purposes of this chapter while the individual is performing the work experience. Weekly compensation for disability or death under this section may not be less than the initial payment of compensation under AS 23.30.175. (§ 1 ch 65 SLA 1980)

~~**Sec. 23.30.239. Sole proprietors and partners as employees.**~~

(a) A person who is a sole proprietor, or a member of a partnership, may elect coverage as an employee under this chapter by making written application to an insurer. The insurer may accept the application and fix an assumed monthly wage at which the person shall be carried on the payroll for purposes of this chapter.

(b) When the application is accepted, the person is subject to the provisions and entitled to the benefits of this chapter. The person shall promptly notify the insurer whenever there is a change in the status of the person as a sole proprietor or partner.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of AS 23.30.120(a), a person covered under (a) of this section bears the burden of proof of the validity of the claim.

(d) A person who has elected coverage under (a) of this section may cancel the election by giving written notice to the insurer. Notwithstanding AS 23.30.030(5), the cancellation becomes effective the day following the filing of notice with the insurer. (§ 2 ch 47 SLA 1986)

~~**Sec. 23.30.240. Officers of corporations, municipal corporations, and nonprofit corporations as employees.**~~ An executive officer elected or appointed and empowered in accordance with the charter and bylaws of a corporation, other than an official of a municipal corporation or a charitable, religious, educational, or other nonprofit corporation, is an employee of the corporation under this chapter. However, an executive officer of a corporation may waive coverage under this chapter, subject to the approval of the commissioner of labor, notwithstanding AS 23.30.245(b). Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, an executive officer of a municipal corporation or of a charitable, religious, educational, or other nonprofit corporation may be brought within the coverage of its insurance contract by the corporation by specifically including the officer in the contract of insurance. The election to bring an executive officer within the coverage continues in force for the period the contract of insurance is in effect. During that period an executive officer brought within the coverage of the insurance contract is an employee of the corporation under this chapter. (§ 2(8) ch 193 SLA 1959; am ch 148 SLA 1962)

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*Although it is ambiguous, we are considering it covered*

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**CURRENT STATUTE**

SENATE BILL NO. 141

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY SENATOR KELLY

Introduced: 3/1/93  
Referred: L&C, FIN

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act extending workers' compensation coverage to certain high school students  
2 in uncompensated work-study programs."

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

4 \* Section 1. AS 23.30.237 is amended to read:

5           Sec. 23.30.237. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN WORK-STUDY  
6 PROGRAMS AS EMPLOYEES OF THE STATE. An individual who is enrolled for  
7 credit at a public high school in a course that combines academic instruction with  
8 uncompensated work experience outside the school for a public or private  
9 [NONPROFIT] employer is an employee of the state for the purposes of this chapter  
10 while the individual is performing the work experience. Compensation [WEEKLY  
11 COMPENSATION] for disability or death under this section is subject to [MAY NOT  
12 BE LESS THAN THE INITIAL PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION UNDER]  
13 AS 23.30.175. Nothing in this section allows an individual to perform work  
14 experience that is not permitted under state or federal law.

SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT  
FIRST COMMITTEE OF REFERRAL

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DATE: 3/1/93

FURTHER: FINANCE

Date of 5-Day Notice: 3/4/93  
(in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: 3/18/93

L&C Committee considered SB 141

"An Act extending workers' compensation coverage to certain high school students in uncompensated work-study programs."

and recommends it be replaced with

and recommends:

replace with \_\_\_\_\_ CS SB 141 (L&C)

attaches amendment(s) 1 rpt in bk as floor

- same title
- new title
- technical title change (HB only)

adopts \_\_\_\_\_ Letter of Intent

further referral to the \_\_\_\_\_

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

2 FN  
10/2/93

FISCAL NOTE INFORMATION

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal
SB DOA	3/2/93		100K
SB DGED	2/2/93		100K
CS DOED	3/17		24K
CS DOA	3/17		24K
B/CS LABOR	3/8	✓	

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal

Appropriation No Fiscal Note

Governor's Bill with Previous Fiscal Notes (enter information above)

DO PASS:

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

- have finance - No Rec
- have this No Rec
- S. Sales No Rec
- Unemployed - NR

① Tom Kelly - Do Pass  
Chair: Signature and Recommendation