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SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT First Committee of Referral

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Education Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 137

SB 137-SUICIDE AWARENESS & PREVENTION TRAINING

"An Act requiring suicide awareness and prevention training for certain school personnel."

and recommends:

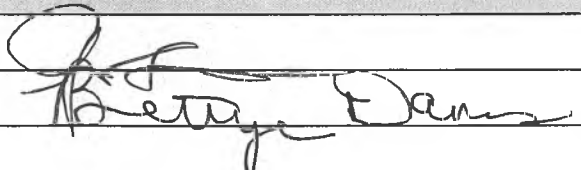
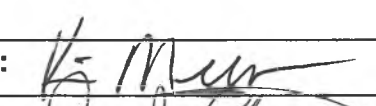

- be replaced with CS _____ (_____) Same Title New Title
- adopt previous CS _____ (_____) Same Title New Title
- attached amendment(s)
- adopt _____ Letter of Intent
- further referral to _____ Committee

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APPROPRIATION - no fiscal note

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|  | Stacy DAVIS | X | | | |
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| CO-CHAIR:  | Meyer | X | | | |
| CO-CHAIR:  | Thomas | ✓ | | | |

Meeting Script – Monday, January 23 – SB 137

CHAIRMAN MEYER

The Senate Education Committee meeting is called to order.

Today is Monday, January 23, and the time is 8:00 a.m. In attendance are:

- Co-Chair Thomas
- Senator Davis
- Senator Stevens
- Senator French
- and myself, Senator Meyer.

We have a quorum to conduct business.

Welcome everyone! This is the first meeting of the Senate Education Committee, for the 2nd Session of the 27th Alaska Legislature.

As a short recap, last session we heard a total of 9 bills -- 8 of which we moved out of committee. We held ONE of the bills, Senator Davis' and Senator French's prekindergarten school programs bill (SB 6). In future hearings this session, we will take up the subject of early childhood education, at which time the committee will have an opportunity to revisit SB 6. Also, we will have a presentation on this subject on Wednesday in a joint hearing with the House Education Committee.

So, with that said, today the committee will hear SENATE BILL 137, Senator Davis' SUICIDE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION bill. Our general practice has been to hear a bill during one meeting, and hold it over and move it out of committee at a following meeting. HOWEVER, this is a pretty straightforward piece of legislation, and so our intention, or HOPE, is to move this bill out today, and on to its next committee of referral.

Senator Davis, would you like to introduce your legislation?

{Senator Davis, she'll request Tom Obermeyer come forward}

Mr. Obermeyer, please put yourself on the record and go ahead with the introduction of SENATE BILL 137.

Are there any comments, questions, discussion amongst committee members?

{Committee Questions}

Any further comments, questions, discussion? Seeing none, we will now open up the meeting for public testimony.

Signed up in the audience we have _____. Do you care to testify on SB 137 today? (*Might be on the list for questions only*)

Please come forward, put yourself on the record and proceed with your testimony.

{Audience Testimony}

Thank you. Are there any questions or comments from committee members?
Senator Thomas?

{Committee Questions}

Are there any further questions from committee members? Seeing none, we'll go to the folks online; we have _____. Do you care to testify on SB 137?

Please put yourself on the record and proceed.

{Teleconference Testimony}

Thank you. Are there any questions or comments from committee members?
Senator Thomas?

{Committee Questions}

Thank you. Is there anyone else wishing to testify?

Seeing no one else, we will **close public testimony** and allow the committee an opportunity to discuss the bill.

{Committee Questions/Comments/Discussion}

Is there any other discussion? Comments? Questions?

What is the will of the committee? **Senator Thomas?**

SENATOR THOMAS

Mr. Chair, I move that we move SB 137 from committee with individual recommendations and attached fiscal note.

SENATOR MEYER

Seeing no objection, SB 137 is moved from committee.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, January 25th at 8:00 a.m., **in room 124 of the Capitol (Ramona Barnes Committee Room)**. This is a JOINT MEETING with the HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE. We will be hearing from the **Alaska Early Childhood Coordinating Council**, the group that was formed last year to look at the various early childhood education programs throughout the state, and will be reporting their findings to us. The Senate Committee will adjourn at 9:00 a.m. as usual, *however* we are invited to stay throughout the remainder of the House's committee meeting.

With that, we are adjourned at _____ a.m.

TESTIMONY 1/23/2012

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