

Native handicraft and art, and any other worthwhile tourist attraction dealing with Alaskan history or culture but not in the preparation and distribution of community and other advertising material. In order to qualify for tourist attraction development matching money, a sub-division or organization must first submit and have approved by the Commissioner of Commerce and Director of Tourism, any plans, programs, contracts or agreements that will be used for carrying out the development of the tourist attraction.

Sec. 3. Any subdivision or organization found qualified to participate under the terms of this Act may receive one dollar in state matching money for each dollar expended by the subdivision or organization for tourist attractions, within the limits of available state appropriations and considering the needs of other qualified subdivisions and organizations.

Sec. 4. This Act shall be administered by the Commissioner of Commerce and the director of the division of tourism. All participating sub-divisions and organizations must submit to the Commissioner of Commerce and Director of Tourism complete reports covering both the expenditure of state and local matching money for tourist attraction programs. These reports, in the case of programs extending over twelve months, shall be submitted annually. Reports on shorter matching programs shall be submitted at the completion of the program.

Sec. 5. Appropriations to carry out this Act should be made from the general fund.

Sec. 6. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.

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CHAPTER 118

AN ACT

Authorizing the Department of Health and Welfare to provide professional and financial assistance to groups of parents organized to accomplish evaluation and special training for pre-school and trainable exceptional children; and providing for an effective date.

(H.B. 150)

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

Section 1. **Purpose.** It is the purpose of this Act to provide assistance to groups of parents organized to accomplish the evaluation and special training for the exceptional children of the state who do not come within the purview of the laws relating to education or training because of their age or severity of handicap.

Sec. 2. **Assistance Authorized.** The Department of Health and Welfare is authorized to provide professional guidance and financial assistance to organized groups of parents according to standards and regulations devised by the department for providing special services, evaluation and special training required by exceptional children who are educable or trainable but physically or mentally retarded under the definitions set forth in this Act.

Sec. 3. **Standards for Assistance.** The Department of Health and Welfare shall assist organized parental groups which

have requested assistance and have arranged for the necessary facilities and equipment for training centers for five or more exceptional children. The department shall restrict its assistance to evaluation, professional guidance and recruitment and payment of specialized teachers.

Sec. 4. **Appropriations.** Appropriations to carry out the purposes of this Act shall be made to the Department of Health and Welfare.

Sec. 5. **Definitions.** As used in this Act:

(1) "special service" means evaluation and special training;

(2) "evaluation" means the physical and mental examinations necessary to determine the extent of the handicap;

(3) "special training" means (a) nursery or pre-school training to compensate for the special handicaps of exceptional children in order to prepare them, when possible, for admission to special classes in a regular school at the age de-

terminated by law, or (b) training in self-help skills, safety, social and simple occupational skills for trainable mentally retarded children of school age who are incapable of academic subjects;

(4) "exceptional children" includes physically handicapped children and mentally retarded educable and trainable children;

(5) "educable mentally retarded children" includes children who are capable

of some academic learning over an extended period of time;

(6) "trainable mentally retarded children" includes children who are not capable of academic learning but can be taught self-help skills, safety, handicrafts, household tasks and simple occupational skills.

Sec. 6. **Effective Date.** This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.

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CHAPTER 119

AN ACT

Establishing a state geographic board.

(H.B. 159)

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

Section 1. There is established in the Office of the Governor a state geographic board consisting of the director, Local Affairs Agency; curator, State Museum; state historical librarian; commissioner, Department of Public Works; commissioner, Department of Natural Resources; commissioner, Department of Education; director, division of lands; director, division of highways; and one other person to be appointed by the governor.

Sec. 2. The state geographic board has the following powers and duties:

(1) to determine the correct and most appropriate names of the lakes, streams, places and other geographic features in the state and their spelling;

(2) to pass upon and give names to lakes, streams, places, and other geographic features in the state for which no single generally acceptable name has been in use;

(3) to cooperate with local subdivisions of government and, with their approval, to change the names of lakes, streams, places and other geographic features with the end in view of eliminating,

as far as possible, duplication of names within the state;

(4) to prepare and publish an official state dictionary of geographic names and to publish the same for sale, either as a completely whole or in parts when ready; and

(5) to serve as the state representatives of the United States geographic board and to cooperate with that board to the end that there shall be no conflict between the state and federal designations of geographic features in the state.

Sec. 3. When the state geographic board has given a name to any lake, stream, place or other geographic feature within the state, the name chosen is the official name of such geographic feature and shall be used in all maps, records, documents, and other publications issued by the state or any of its departments and political subdivisions.

Sec. 4. No person shall in any advertisement or publication attempt to modify local usage or name unnamed geographic features without first obtaining the approval of the state geographic board. In case of a violation of this section, the geographic board shall promptly announce its disapproval and shall thereafter adopt an official name for such feature.

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