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

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UNDERLINED MATERIAL INDICATES TEXT THAT IS BEING ADDED TO THE LAW AND BRACKETED MATERIAL IN CAPITAL LETTERS INDICATES DELETIONS FROM THE LAW; COMPLETELY NEW TEXT OR MATERIAL REPEALED AND RE-ENACTED IS IDENTIFIED IN THE INTRODUCTORY LINE OF EACH BILL SECTION.

Approved by the Governor: July 19, 1983
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AN ACT

Relating to state support for education; and providing
for an effective date.

* Section 1. AS 43.18.100(a)(4) is amended to read:

(4) subject to (h) and (i) of this section up to 90 percent
of

(A) payments made by the municipality during the
current fiscal year for the retirement of principal and interest
on outstanding bonds, notes or other indebtedness incurred after
December 31, 1981, and authorized by the qualified voters of the
municipality before July 1, 1983, to pay costs of school con-
struction, additions to schools, and major rehabilitation pro-
jects that exceed \$25,000 and are approved under AS 14.07.-
020(11); and

(B) cash payments made after June 30, 1982, and before
July 1, 1983, by the municipality during the fiscal year two
years earlier to pay costs of school construction, additions to
schools, and major rehabilitation projects that exceed \$25,000
and are approved under AS 14.07.020(11); and

(C) payments made by the municipality during the
current fiscal year for the retirement of principal and interest
on outstanding bonds, notes, or other indebtedness to pay costs
of school construction, additions to schools, and major rehabili-
tation projects that exceed \$25,000 and are submitted to the

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1 Department of Education for approval under AS 14.07.020(11)
2 before July 1, 1983, and approved by the qualified voters of the
3 municipality before October 15, 1983, not to exceed a total
4 project cost of (i) \$6,600,000 if the annual growth rate of
5 average daily membership of the municipality is more than 7
6 percent but less than 12 percent, or (ii) \$20,000,000 if the
7 annual growth rate of average daily membership of the
8 municipality is 12 percent or more; payments made by a munic-
9 ipality under this paragraph on total project costs that exceed
10 the amounts set out in (i) and (ii) of this paragraph are subject
11 to (a)(5)(A) of this section.

12 * Sec. 2. AS 43.18.100(a) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

13 (5) subject to (h) and (i) of this section, 50 percent of

14 (A) payments made by the municipality during the fiscal
15 year for the retirement of principal and interest on outstanding
16 bonds, notes or other indebtedness authorized by the qualified
17 voters of the municipality after June 30, 1983 to pay costs of
18 school construction, additions to schools, and major rehabilita-
19 tion projects that exceed \$25,000 and are approved under AS 14.-
20 07.020(11); and

21 (B) cash payments made after June 30, 1983 by the
22 municipality during the fiscal year two years earlier to pay
23 costs of school construction, additions to schools, and major
24 rehabilitation projects that exceed \$25,000 and are approved
25 under AS 14.07.020(11).

26 * Sec. 3. AS 43.18.100 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

27 (j) The state may not allocate money to a municipality for a
28 school construction project under (a)(5) of this section unless the
29 project is approved by the commissioner before the local vote on the

1 bond issue for the project. In approving a project under this sub-
2 section, the commissioner shall require

3 (1) the municipality to include on the ballot for the bond
4 issue the estimated total cost of each project and the estimated
5 amounts that will be paid by the state and by the municipality;

6 (2) that the bonds may not be refunded unless the annual
7 debt service on the refunding issue is not greater than the annual
8 debt service on the original issue;

9 (3) that the bonds must be repaid in approximately equal
10 annual principal payments or approximate equal debt service payments
11 over a period of at least 10 years;

12 (4) the municipality to demonstrate need for the project by
13 factors such as increased enrollment in the school district, the
14 health and safety of the students, and the factors listed in AS 14.-
15 11.010(c).

16 * Sec. 4. FINDINGS. The legislature finds that the present system of
17 providing assistance to school systems should be studied for modification
18 and improvement. The legislature further finds that during the period of
19 study an alternative mechanism to the existing foundation support system is
20 desirable.

1 * Sec. 5. The operation of AS 14.17.021(a), 14.17.022, 14.17.023,
2 14.17.031(a), (b), (c), and (e), 14.17.041, 14.17.051, 14.17.056, 14.17.-
3 082, 14.17.160, 14.17.180, 14.17.225(b), and the provision of 14.17.170
4 that requires the withholding of one-half of the June payment of state aid
5 pending a final determination of each school district's state aid is sus-
6 pended from July 1, 1983, through June 30, 1984. During the period of
7 suspension, the provisions of AS 14.17.031(d) remain in effect except that
8 the number of students in average daily membership in each school district
9 shall be used instead of instructional units to calculate reductions in

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state aid. During the period of suspension, funding for the basic state aid and supplemental equalization aid that otherwise would have been provided under the provisions of AS 14.17.021(a), 14.17.022, and 14.17.023 shall be provided to school districts and for centralized correspondence study in accordance with the provisions of sec. 6 of this Act.

* Sec. 6. For fiscal year 1984 the amount of state aid for each school district and for centralized correspondence study is the following amount, subject to adjustment under AS 14.17.021(b), for each pupil in average daily membership less any aid overpaid as determined by the commissioner of education:

Anchorage School District	\$ 3,310
Bristol Bay Borough School District	9,732
Cordova City School District	5,029
Craig City School District	6,734
Dillingham City School District	8,673
Fairbanks North Star Borough School District	3,688
Galena City School District	9,995
Haines Borough School District	6,345
Hoonah City School District	6,224
Hydaburg City School District	9,163
City and Borough of Juneau School District	3,622
Kake City School District	7,109
Kenai Peninsula Borough School District	3,900
Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District	3,399
King Cove City School District	9,376
Klawock City School District	7,417
Kodiak Island School District	5,488
Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District	3,504
Nenana City School District	10,507

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1	Nome City School District	7,165
2	North Slope Borough School District	9,202
3	Pelican City School District	12,438
4	Petersburg City School District	4,049
5	Sand Point City School District	8,283
6	Sitka Borough School District	3,711
7	Skagway City School District	5,379
8	St. Mary's City School District	14,946
9	Tanana School District	13,361
10	Unalaska City School District	8,210
11	Valdez City School District	4,786
12	Wrangell City School District	4,726
13	Yakutat City School District	7,749
14	Adak Regional School District	6,643
15	Alaska Gateway School District	8,639
16	Aleutian Chain School District	16,674
17	Annette Island School District	6,572
18	Bering Straits School District	12,197
19	Chatham School District	8,682
20	Chugach School District	11,758
1	Copper River School District	7,178
2	Delta School District	5,915
3	Iditarod Area School District	14,972
4	Kuspuk School District	16,376
5	Lake and Peninsula School District	15,476
6	Lower Kuskokwim School District	11,033
	Lower Yukon School District	9,864
	Northwest Arctic School District	10,387
	Pribilof Islands School District	11,475

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1	Upper Railbelt Regional School District	9,551
2	Southeast Island School District	9,665
3	Southwest Regional School District	13,305
4	Yukon Flats School District	15,498
5	Yukon Koyukuk School District	13,191
6	Central Correspondence	2,508

7 * Sec. 7. The commissioner shall determine the state aid for each
8 school district on the basis of the reports submitted under AS 14.17.170
9 for fiscal year 1983. Beginning July 15 of the fiscal year, and on the
10 15th of each month, for seven successive months, 1/12th of each district's
11 state aid shall be distributed.

12 * Sec. 8. Appropriations made for fiscal year 1984 for supplemental
13 programs under AS 14.17.061(a) may be used only for average daily member-
14 ship increases beyond the average daily membership reported by school
15 districts under AS 14.17.170 for fiscal year 1983. If the amount appro-
16 priated for fiscal year 1984 is insufficient to meet the average daily
17 membership allocations authorized under sec. 6 of this Act with respect to
18 the increased average daily membership, the available funds shall be dis-
19 tributed on a pro rata basis among the school districts with increases in
20 average daily membership.

21 * Sec. 9. During the period of suspension under sec. 5 of this Act, a
22 school district shall continue to provide services to students in programs
23 of bilingual, special, and vocational education commensurate with the needs
24 of the students and in strict accordance with applicable state and federal
25 laws and regulations.

26 * Sec. 10. The commissioner of education shall recommend to the legis-
27 lature a method of revising and improving the public school foundation pro-
28 gram no later than January 9, 1984. If the commissioner of education has
29 not made recommendations to the legislature by January 9, 1984, the

