

HOUSE BILL NO. 244

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THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act requiring school boards and municipalities to distribute school district**
2 **boundary maps to certain persons; and requiring the Department of Education and**
3 **Early Development to make school district boundary maps available online."**

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

5 * **Section 1.** AS 14.08.111 is amended to read:

6 **Sec. 14.08.111. Duties.** A regional school board shall

7 (1) provide, during the school term of each year, an educational
8 program for each school age child who is enrolled in or a resident of the district;

9 (2) develop a philosophy of education, principles, and goals for its
10 schools;

11 (3) approve the employment of the professional administrators,
12 teachers, and noncertificated personnel necessary to operate its schools;

13 (4) establish the salaries to be paid its employees;

14 (5) designate the employees authorized to direct disbursements from

1 the school funds of the board;

2 (6) submit the reports prescribed for all school districts;

3 (7) provide for an annual audit in accordance with AS 14.14.050;

4 (8) provide custodial services and routine maintenance of school
5 buildings and facilities;

6 (9) establish procedures for the review and selection of all textbooks
7 and instructional materials at least once every 10 years, including textbooks and
8 curriculum materials for statewide correspondence programs, before they are
9 introduced into the school curriculum; the review includes a review for violations of
10 AS 14.18.060; nothing in this paragraph precludes a correspondence study student, or
11 the parent or guardian of a correspondence study student, from privately obtaining or
12 using textbooks or curriculum material not provided by the school district;

13 (10) provide prospective employees with information relating to the
14 availability and cost of housing in rural areas to which they might be assigned, and,
15 when possible, assist them in locating housing; however, nothing in this paragraph
16 requires a regional school board to provide teacher housing, whether owned, leased, or
17 rented or otherwise provided by the regional educational attendance area, nor does it
18 require the board to engage in a subsidy program of any kind with respect to teacher
19 housing;

20 (11) train persons required to report under AS 47.17.020, in the
21 recognition and reporting of child abuse, neglect, and sexual abuse of a minor; [AND]

22 (12) establish procedures for providing the training under
23 AS 14.18.060, AS 14.20.149, 14.20.680, AS 14.30.355, 14.30.356, 14.30.362,
24 AS 14.33.100, AS 18.66.310, and AS 47.17.022; the procedures established under this
25 paragraph must include a training schedule that ensures that not less than 50 percent of
26 the total certificated staff employed by the district receive all of the training not less
27 than every two years and that all of the certificated staff employed by the district
28 receive all of the training not less than every four years; and

29 (13) distribute annually to the parents of each child enrolled in the
30 school district a map of the district boundaries; in this paragraph, "parent"
31 means the natural or adoptive parent of a child or a child's legal guardian.

1 * **Sec. 2.** AS 14.12.010 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

2 (b) The department shall maintain on its Internet website a map showing all
3 school district boundaries within the state.

4 * **Sec. 3.** AS 14.14.090 is amended to read:

5 **Sec. 14.14.090. Duties of school boards.** In addition to other duties, a school
6 board shall

7 (1) determine and disburse the total amount to be made available for
8 compensation of all school employees and administrative officers;

9 (2) provide for, during the school term of each year, an educational
10 program for each school age child who is enrolled in or a resident of the district;

11 (3) withhold the salary for the last month of service of a teacher or
12 administrator until the teacher or administrator has submitted all summaries, statistics,
13 and reports that the school board may require by bylaws;

14 (4) transmit, when required by the assembly or council but not more
15 often than once a month, a summary report and statement of money expended;

16 (5) keep the minutes of meetings and a record of all proceedings of the
17 school board in a pertinent form;

18 (6) keep the records and files of the school board open to inspection by
19 the public at the principal administrative office of the district during reasonable
20 business hours;

21 (7) establish procedures for the review and selection of all textbooks
22 and instructional materials at least once every 10 years, including textbooks and
23 curriculum materials for statewide correspondence programs, before they are
24 introduced into the school curriculum; the review includes a review for violations of
25 AS 14.18.060; nothing in this paragraph precludes a correspondence study student, or
26 the parent or guardian of a correspondence study student, from privately obtaining or
27 using textbooks or curriculum material not provided by the school district;

28 (8) provide prospective employees with information relating to the
29 availability and cost of housing in rural areas to which they might be assigned, and,
30 when possible, assist them in locating housing; however, nothing in this paragraph
31 requires a school district to provide teacher housing, whether district owned, leased,

1 rented, or through other means, nor does it require a school board to engage in a
2 subsidy program of any kind regarding teacher housing;

3 (9) train persons required to report under AS 47.17.020, in the
4 recognition and reporting of child abuse, neglect, and sexual abuse of a minor;

5 (10) provide for the development and implementation of a preventive
6 maintenance program for school facilities; in this paragraph, "preventive maintenance"
7 means scheduled maintenance actions that prevent the premature failure or extend the
8 useful life of a facility, or a facility's systems and components, and that are cost-
9 effective on a life-cycle basis;

10 (11) establish procedures for providing the training under
11 AS 14.18.060, AS 14.20.149, 14.20.680, AS 14.30.355, 14.30.356, 14.30.362,
12 AS 14.33.100, AS 18.66.310, and AS 47.17.022; the procedures established under this
13 paragraph must include a training schedule that ensures that not less than 50 percent of
14 the total certificated staff employed by the district receive all of the training not less
15 than every two years and that all of the certificated staff employed by the district
16 receive all of the training not less than every four years;

17 **(12) distribute annually to the parents of each child enrolled in the**
18 **school district a map of the district boundaries; in this paragraph, "parent"**
19 **means the natural or adoptive parent of a child or a child's legal guardian.**

20 * **Sec. 4.** AS 29.45.020 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

21 (c) In addition to the information required by (a) of this section, if a
22 municipality levies and collects property taxes, the governing body shall include in the
23 notice to taxpayers a map of the school district boundaries for the district in which the
24 taxpayer resides.