

**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 142(EDC)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/15/13

Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVE GATTIS

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to boarding schools operated by school districts; relating to housing  
2 expenses for charter schools; and providing for an effective date."

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

4 \* **Section 1.** AS 14.16.200(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) A district that operates [, BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2005, BEGAN  
6 OPERATING] a statewide or district-wide residential school [EDUCATIONAL  
7 PROGRAM] for students in grades nine through 12 that has been approved by the  
8 department under regulations adopted by the board is eligible to receive a boarding  
9 stipend as reimbursement for the costs incurred by the district in operating that school  
10 [PROGRAM]. To be eligible for reimbursement for costs, a statewide or district-  
11 wide [THE DISTRICT-OPERATED STATEWIDE] residential school operated by a  
12 district [EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM] must provide a suitable student dormitory,  
13 food service, and daily access to a public school offering the appropriate grade level  
14 for a variable-length or 180-day school term as provided under AS 14.03.030 for

1           **the full school year.**

2           \* **Sec. 2.** AS 14.16.200(b) is amended to read:

3                   (b) Costs that may be claimed by a district for reimbursement under (a) of this  
4           section are

5                           (1) one round trip on the least expensive means of transportation  
6           between the student's community of residence and the school during the school year if  
7           the district expends money for the trip; and

8                           (2) a per-pupil monthly stipend to cover room and board expenses as  
9           determined by the department on a regional basis and not to exceed the following  
10          amounts:

11                                   (A) for the Southeast Region (Region I), **\$1,230** [\$410];

12                                   (B) for the Southcentral Region (Region II), **\$1,200** [\$400];

13                                   (C) for the Interior Region (Region III), **\$1,452** [\$484];

14                                   (D) for the Southwest Region (Region IV), **\$1,509** [\$503];

15                                   (E) for the Northern Remote Region (Region V), **\$1,776**

16                                   [\$592].

17          \* **Sec. 3.** AS 14.16.200 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

18                   (e) A district may cooperate with an Alaska Native organization, as defined in  
19           20 U.S.C. 7546(2), or a nonprofit organization for the provision of room and board  
20           services to students enrolled in a statewide or district-wide residential school operated  
21           by a district under terms and conditions required for licensing in the state and as  
22           specified by the department in regulation.

23          \* **Sec. 4.** AS 14.03.260(d), AS 14.16.200(c), and 14.16.200(d)(2) are repealed.

24          \* **Sec. 5.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).