

HOUSE BILL NO. 237

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Referred: Education, State Affairs, Transportation, Labor and Commerce, Judiciary, Rules, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act prohibiting certain per diem payments and delaying the payment of salaries to
2 legislators based on the failure to adopt an education operating budget before March 1
3 of each fiscal year."

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

5 * **Section 1.** AS 24.10.100 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

6 (b) If the operating budget for public education grade levels K-12 for the next
7 fiscal year has not been not adopted by the legislature, beginning on March 1 payment
8 of salaries for all legislators shall be delayed. After the operating budget for public
9 education is adopted by both houses, salary payments that have been delayed under
10 this subsection shall be made to legislators as soon as feasible and other salary
11 payments shall be resumed as normally scheduled.

12 * **Sec. 2.** AS 24.10.130 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

13 (d) If the operating budget for public education grade levels K-12 for the next
14 fiscal year has not been adopted by the legislature, beginning on March 1 legislators

1 are no longer entitled to per diem payments under (b) of this section. On the day after
2 the operating budget for public education is adopted by both houses, legislators may
3 again receive per diem payments as authorized under (b) of this section. However,
4 legislators may not receive per diem payments for the period beginning March 1 and
5 ending the day they may begin again to receive those payments under this subsection.