

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 369(EDC)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/5/12

Referred: Labor and Commerce

Sponsor(s): HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE BY REQUEST

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to student participation in interscholastic activities; and providing for**
2 **an effective date."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** AS 14.30.142(d) is amended to read:

5 (d) A student who has been removed from participation in a practice or game
6 for suspicion of concussion may not return to **participation in practice or game** play
7 until the student has been evaluated and cleared for participation in writing by a
8 qualified person who has received training [AND IS CURRENTLY CERTIFIED], as
9 verified in writing or electronically by the qualified person, in the evaluation and
10 management of concussions. In this subsection, "qualified person" means either a

11 (1) health care provider who is licensed in the state or exempt from
12 licensure under state law; or

13 (2) person who is acting at the direction and under the supervision of a
14 physician who is licensed in the state or exempt from licensure under

1 AS 08.64.370(1), (2), or (4).

2 * **Sec. 2.** AS 14.30 is amended by adding a new section to read:

3 **Sec. 14.30.365. Interscholastic activities; eligibility.** (a) A full-time student
4 who is enrolled in grades nine through 12 in an alternative education program that is
5 located entirely in the state and that does not offer interscholastic activities is eligible
6 to participate in any interscholastic activities program available in the public school
7 that the student would be eligible, based on the residence of the parent or legal
8 guardian of the student, to attend were the student not enrolled in an alternative
9 education program if the student

10 (1) is otherwise eligible to participate in interscholastic activities under
11 requirements established by the school, the school district, and the statewide
12 interscholastic activities governing body;

13 (2) provides documentation, including academic transcripts, proof of
14 full-time enrollment, and applicable disciplinary records, and, if required for
15 participation in an activity by the school, requested medical records, to the school
16 providing the interscholastic activities program; and

17 (3) claims the same school for interscholastic activities eligibility
18 purposes during a school year.

19 (b) In this section,

20 (1) "alternative education program" means a public secondary school
21 that provides a nontraditional education program, including the Alaska Military Youth
22 Academy; a public vocational, remedial, or theme-based program; a home school
23 program that is accredited by a recognized accrediting body; a charter school
24 authorized under AS 14.03.250 - 14.03.290; and a statewide correspondence school
25 that enrolls students who reside outside of the district in which the student resides and
26 provides less than three hours a week of scheduled face-to-face student interactions in
27 the same location with a teacher who is certified under AS 14.20.020;

28 (2) "district" has the meaning given in AS 14.17.990;

29 (3) "full-time student" means a student who

30 (A) is enrolled in not less than five classes in grades nine
31 through 11 and not less than four classes in grade 12; and

1 (B) is on track to graduate from secondary school in not more
2 than four years of attendance in secondary school;

3 (4) "interscholastic activities" means preparation for and participation
4 in events or competitions involving another school when the preparation or
5 participation

6 (A) is sanctioned or supported by the statewide interscholastic
7 activities governing body;

8 (B) is conducted outside of the regular school curriculum; and

9 (C) does not involve participation in student government at a
10 school.

11 * **Sec. 3.** Section 1 of this Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

12 * **Sec. 4.** Section 2 of this Act takes effect July 1, 2013.