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A WEEKLY DIGEST OF ACTIVITY BY THE ALASKA LEGISLATURE AND U.S. CONGRESS FOR ALASKA'S SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

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Alaska Districts Join Wait for Budget Compromise as Legislature Enters Special Session

Alaska's school districts are in a quandary: all districts must by law give layoff notices to teachers before the Legislature lets them know whether or not the proposed \$69 million in education cuts hold for fiscal year 2018 that starts July 1.

One of the key problems highlights deadlines that must be met by state statute. Teachers are to be notified of layoffs by May 15 if they are non-tenured. For tenured teachers, notice must be given by the last day of school.

Given the combined layoff numbers of Anchorage, Mat-Su, Juneau, Kenai and Fairbanks school districts alone, more than 700 teachers and staff faced a loss of their job this month. See full story [here](#).

Bills Remain in Place As Regular Session Ends

Governor Bill Walker has called the Legislature into special session to pass the operating and capital budgets, fix Alaska's fiscal and opioid crises, and create the economic certainty the state needs, his [office announced](#).

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