

## **Resolutions pertaining to 2018 Education Bills**

For your information and consideration, the following review lists each law passed this session and any resolutions we have that directly or indirectly speak to the education bills passed this last legislative session.

[HB 64](#) - **Reading Proficiency Task Force; Dyslexia** - Establishes a task force to make recommendations on how to serve students diagnosed with dyslexia. One of task force seats is designated for an AASB representative.

***Resolutions: NONE***

[HB 135](#) - **School Construction Grant Program** - Allows for a request for an extension to complete a school construction project under the construction grant program.

***Resolutions: NONE***

[HB 212](#) - **School Construction; REAA/Small Municipal Fund** - This fund was established under the Kasayulie settlement. This bill adds major maintenance as an allowable project to the fund parameters.

***Resolutions: NONE***

[HB 213](#) - **Public School Trust Fund** - Combines several accounts and creates a POMV (4.75%) draw on the Public School Trust Fund. The intent is to increase the rate of return on the fund and protect the corpus.

***Resolutions: NONE***

[HB 214](#) - **Bree's Law; Teen Dating Violence Programs** - Districts are to develop age appropriate training on teen dating violence. February is designated as Teen Dating & Violence Prevention Month. The Act is renamed Bree Moore Teen Dating Violence & Prevention Program.

***Resolutions: 2.46, 3.25***

[HB 221](#) - **Workforce & Education Related Statistics Program** - Directs the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education to administer a statewide workforce and education-related statistics program.

***Resolutions: NONE***

[HB 233](#) - **Extend Education Tax Credits** - Tightens up allowable entities for utilization of tax credits. Lowers the threshold for claiming tax credits. Adds equipment to cash contributions. Extends the program through 2025.

**Resolutions: NONE**

[HB 285](#) - **Appropriation: Mental Health Budget** - This is an appropriations bill that funds organizations throughout the state eligible for funding. Many of these organizations serve students and families.

**Resolutions: 3.8, 3.17**

[HB 286](#) - **Appropriation: Operating Budget/Loans/Funds**

**Resolutions: 2.14, 2.38**

[HB 287](#) - **Appropriation: Pupil Transportation; Education** - Includes one-time \$30 million grant distributed through the formula for FY 20. Fully funds FY19 BSA. Fully fund FY19 & FY20 pupil transportation

**Resolutions: 2.14, 2.38**

[HB 306](#) - **PERS/TRS Distributions** - Provides disbursement options for state employees who retire under defined contribution plans.

**Resolutions: 2.19**

[HB 333](#) - **Municipalities; Phone Use in School Zone** - Permits a municipality to adopt an ordinance prohibiting cell phone usage in a school zone.

**Resolutions: NONE**

[HJR 29](#) - **Reauthorize Secure Rural Schools Act** - Urges Congress to reauthorize the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act of 2000.

**Resolutions: 2.3**

[HR 7](#) - **Supporting a Safe School Environment** - Recognizes the importance of a safe school environment and supports improvement of school safety measures.

**Resolutions: 3.1, 3.9, 3.15**

[SB 104](#) - **Education Curriculum Requirements** - Amends the statute to only require curriculum reviews every ten years, directs DEED to research and make available a proven curriculum for math and language arts and implement a three year pilot project for four districts. Adoption of the curriculum is voluntary.

**Resolutions: 2.25, 4.16, 5.2 – NOTE: This bill mandates that adoption is voluntary. The AASB Board may want to consider language which emphasizes local control in this responsibility and opposes such curriculum adoption as mandatory. Prevent a usurping of local authority.**

**[SB 26](#) - Appropriations Limit & Permanent Fund Limit; Dividend; Earnings** - Creates a POMV (5.25%) method of withdrawal from the Permanent Fund based on the previous five years for the purpose of funding government and ensuring a PFD. This legislation's intent is to protect the corpus of the fund in future years.

**Resolutions: 2.1**

**[SB 142](#) - Appropriation: Capital Budget** - Funds the first five projects on the list, Distributes a one-time \$20 million grant to districts through the foundation in FY19, \$6 million in P-K grants.

**Resolutions: 2.8**

**[SB 185](#) - Reemployment of Retired Teachers & Administrators** - With certain stipulations allows for the reemployment of teachers and administrators to fill vacant positions for one year at a time without loss of retirement benefits.

**Resolutions: 4.1, 4.5**

**[SB 216](#) - School funding for Consolidated Schools** - Allows a district who experiences a loss of students to consolidate schools with a hold harmless step-down provision to prevent a sudden loss of funding.

**Resolutions: NONE although 1.1 does address mandated school consolidation. The Board may want to think about a resolution supporting the intent of this law and maintaining local control of such decisions.**

**[SCR 5](#) - Alaska Reads Day** - Encourages citizens and organizations to work together to on March 2, 2019 to raise awareness for the importance of reading.

**Resolutions: 2.6, 2.35, 5.6**

**[SCR 15](#) - April 16, 2019: Alaska Education & Sharing Day** - Designates April 16 as Alaska Education & Sharing Day consistent with the Presidential proclamation for the same across the U.S. to instill a spirit of service in young people.

**Resolutions: NONE**