Kenai Peninsula Borough School District

Education Bill Focus

- Take 5 minutes to review these 5 important education bills
- Talk to 5 friends, colleagues, or family members about these topics, and then:

Five action ideas

- 1. Contact your state legislator via phone, email, or attend a town hall meeting
- 2. Testify at a legislative hearing in a LIO office, make a phone call, or write a letter
- 3. Listen to a committee hearing, and track bill movement with SMS alerts from #AKleg
- 4. Talk to elected officials in city and borough government, and your school principal or site council about these bills
- 5. Advocate for a state fiscal plan, speak up to share your positive stories about education. Help the public understand the positive value and outcomes happening in KPBSD w3.akleg.gov



EARLY EDUCATION; READING INTERVENTION



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"An Act relating to the duties of the Department of Education and Early Development; relating to public schools; relating to early education programs; relating to funding for early education programs..." SB 111



"Literacy is the building block of all education. The KPBSD supports legislation that creates a statewide comprehensive K-3 reading policy to improve education outcomes for our students. Students across our entire state deserve high quality Preschool, and curriculum and instruction based on the science of reading. Now is the time for our state to come together on this critical issue."

—Superintendent Clayton Holland

Literacy increases graduation rates, and success in life



INCREASE BASE STUDENT ALLOCATION (BSA)

"An Act relating to education; increasing the base student allocation; and providing for an effective date." HB 272



The KPBSD projects a FY23 status-quo budget deficit of <\$7,018,488> Current BSA is \$5,930. If HB 272 passes, the FY23 BSA would be \$5,930 + \$253 = \$6,153 The FY24 BSA would be \$6,153 + \$55 = \$6,208

A BSA increase of \$253 in 2022-2023 school year for the KPBSD is \$3,854,470
A BSA increase of \$55 in FY24 school year is \$950,654 (based on FY23 projected enrollment)

The BSA has not changed since the 2015-2016 school year

Investment in our children and stability for education outcomes



INFLATION PROOF THE BSA

"An Act relating to education; increasing the base student allocation; and providing for an effective date." HB 273



If HB273 passes, in the 2022-2023 school year, **KPBSD would receive an additional \$1,676,608** through the Foundation Formula, based on projected enrollment. The FY23 BSA would become \$6,027 with the inflation proofing formula*, in contrast to the current \$5,930 BSA.

Each Fiscal Year, the BSA would be inflation proofed based on the average of three prior Calendar Years of the CPI of Urban Alaska, less one lag year.

Offers education funding stability



TEACHER REGISTERED APPRENTICE PROGRAMS

"An Act relating to a paraprofessional training program; creating a teacher resident certificate; creating a teacher residency program; relating to requirements to issue a teacher certificate; relating to subject-matter expert limited teacher certificates; relating to limited teacher certificates; creating a teacher registered apprenticeship program; and creating a teacher registered apprenticeship program fund."

SB 225

Benefits teacher recruitment and retention



RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; DEFINED BENEFIT OPT.

"An Act relating to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska and the teachers' retirement system; providing certain employees an opportunity to choose between the defined benefit and defined contribution plans of the Public Employees' Retirement System of Alaska and the teachers' retirement system; and providing for an effective date." HB 220

Benefits teacher recruitment and retention

The mission of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District is to empower all learners to positively shape their futures.



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