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To: Superintendents  
Business Managers

From: Mike Hanley, Commissioner *M.H.*

Date: May 24, 2011

Subject: 2011 Regular & Special Legislative Sessions

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The purpose of this memorandum is to provide a summary of education related legislation passed during the regular and special sessions. This information is preliminary because not all of the bills have been transmitted or signed by the governor.

**FY2012 Operating Budget ~ Awaiting transmittal to Governor**

House Bill 108 contains the department's operating budget for FY2012. Attached is a schedule titled "FY2012 Projected State Program Allocations based on Legislative Appropriations." This schedule totaling \$1.3 billion includes FY2012 estimated funding levels, by district, for the following programs: Foundation (includes Vocational Education Adjustment), \$20 million one-time grant funding, Boarding Home Stipends, Residential Boarding Program, Youth in Detention, Special Schools, Alaska Challenge Youth Academy, Pupil Transportation, and School Debt Reimbursement. The funding levels listed by district are projected allocations and are subject to change based on actual FY2012 average daily membership and/or individual program requirements.

Included in the foundation projection is year four of the Education Task Force Recommendations for FY2012 that provides the Area Cost Differential increase from 75% to 87.5% of the ISER study. HB 108 provides \$6 million for the Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS) as well as \$3 million for the Alaska Advantage Grant program. In addition the unexpended and unobligated balance of \$20 million approved in FY2011 for EduJobs is reappropriated to Department of Education & Early Development (DEED) for the EduJobs program in FY2012.

**FY2012 Capital Budget ~ Awaiting transmittal to Governor**

Senate Bill 46 contains over \$73 million in major maintenance and \$76 million in renovation/replacement appropriations. The first 33 major maintenance projects were funded totaling \$73 million. The two pages attachment titled, "FY2012 Capital Grants for School Districts - Summary," provides details by district for the major maintenance grants awarded under DEED.

SB 46 also includes over \$76 million in appropriations for the renovation and/or replacement of schools in Kuinerrarmuit Elitnaurviat, Napaskiak, and Kivalina as well as \$5 million reappropriated to the school construction grant fund for Lower Yukon.

Other school related grants have been identified in the capital budget through the Department of Commerce, Community & Economic Development. If you have specific questions please contact Janet Davis with the Division of Community & Regional Affairs at (907) 451-2746.

**FY2011 Supplemental Funding ~ Chapter 1 FSSLA 11**

Senate Bill 76 contains the supplemental appropriations to the FY2011 budget.

**Additional Information:**

**House Bill 15 Student Athlete Concussions ~ Transmitted to Governor**

HB 15 amends AS 14.30 by adding two new sections. AS 14.30.142 (a) – (e) directs the governing body of a school district to consult with the Alaska School Activities Association to develop and publish guidelines to educate coaches, student athletes and parents regarding the nature and risks of concussions. Guidelines must include procedures on athlete removal from play, risks of return to play and standards for return to play.

AS 14.30.143 (a) – (c) states that a school district may not be held liable for injuries caused by a concussion and resulting from the action or inaction of a person employed by or under contract with a nonprofit youth organization. This section defines youth organization as a public or private entity qualified to do business in the state that provides a program or service to persons under 19 years of age.

**Senate Bill 1 Board of Education & Early Development Annual Report ~ Transmitted to Governor**

SB 1 amends AS 14.07 by adding a new section, AS 14.07.168 requiring the State Board of Education & Early Development to provide an in-person report to the legislature no later than the 30<sup>th</sup> legislative day of each regular session. The report shall be presented to the committees having jurisdiction over education.

SB 1 creates an advisory task force on theme-based education for the purpose of compiling data and advising the legislature on matters pertaining to curriculum in public schools in the state. The task force will include the Chair of the House Education Committee, along with one member appointed by the Speaker of the House and one member appointed by the Senate President. The task force will report findings and recommendations to the legislature no later than January 1, 2012 and also terminates on that day.

**Senate Bill 84 Vocational Education & Basic Funding & Tax Credits ~ Awaiting transmittal to Governor**

SB 84 creates a high school vocational and technical education factor adjustment of 1.01 that follows the special needs adjustment of 1.20 in the foundation formula. This separate adjustment would generate approximately \$11.7 million. These funds are intended to assist districts in providing vocational and technical instruction for those students enrolled in grades nine through 12.

SB 84 amends AS14.16.200 for the three districts operating a residential home program that began operation after January 1, 2005 and offers reimbursement of operating costs for districts serving grades nine through 12. For FY2012 and FY2013 those districts can claim room and board expenses for reimbursement at an increased per-pupil stipend for up to 10 months based on the maximum amounts by region as laid out in statute.

The Iditarod Area School District regional school board is appropriated \$1.5 million to establish a pilot project for the purposes of developing and implementing culturally relevant and theme-based curriculum material for those students enrolled in grades kindergarten through 12. The materials and strategies developed under this are to be made available to other school districts upon request. This pilot program will run through FY2014.

Attachments:

1. FY2012 Projected State Program Allocations based on Legislative Appropriations
2. FY2012 Capital Grants for School District - Summary

cc: Elizabeth Nudelman, Director  
Division of School Finance & Facilities

**Alaska Department of Education & Early Development**  
**FY2012 Projected State Program Allocations based on Legislative Appropriations.**

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| <b>Updated 7/12/2011</b> | FY2012<br>Projected<br>ADM | Total<br>Foundation<br>@ \$5,680 | HB108<br>one-time grant<br>\$20M on AADM | Boarding<br>Home | Residential<br>Boarding<br>Program | Youth<br>in<br>Detention | Special<br>Schools | AK Challenge<br>Youth<br>Academy | Pupil<br>Transportation | Debt<br>Retirement | PROJECTED<br>FY2012<br>TOTALS |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|--|------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| ALASKA GATEWAY           | 398                        | 7,073,610                        | 106,884                                  |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 590,248                 |                    | 7,770,742                     |
| ALEUTIAN REGION          | 33                         | 1,379,432                        | 21,367                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 0                       |                    | 1,400,799                     |
| ALEUTIANS EAST           | 262                        | 5,335,740                        | 92,990                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 73,360                  | 617,331            | 6,119,421                     |
| ANCHORAGE                | 48,480                     | 310,586,385                      | 6,070,043                                |                  |                                    | 368,635                  | 1,281,368          |                                  | 19,378,084              | 47,010,653         | 384,695,168                   |
| ANNETTE ISLANDS          | 278                        | 2,283,188                        | 54,834                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 18,070                  |                    | 2,356,092                     |
| BERING STRAIT            | 1,658                      | 27,819,067                       | 533,489                                  |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 79,584                  |                    | 28,432,140                    |
| BRISTOL BAY              | 164                        | 1,879,061                        | 41,650                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 379,660                 |                    | 2,300,371                     |
| CHATHAM                  | 158                        | 2,840,989                        | 43,210                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 12,089                  |                    | 2,896,288                     |
| CHUGACH                  | 280                        | 2,320,785                        | 34,091                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 0                       |                    | 2,354,876                     |
| COPPER RIVER             | 471                        | 6,937,390                        | 103,075                                  |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 616,193                 |                    | 7,656,658                     |
| CORDOVA                  | 326                        | 3,411,920                        | 61,843                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 95,844                  | 941,932            | 4,511,539                     |
| CRAIG                    | 625                        | 4,868,300                        | 80,794                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 87,672                  |                    | 5,036,766                     |
| DELTA/GREELY             | 959                        | 10,298,997                       | 154,293                                  |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 1,172,864               |                    | 11,626,154                    |
| DENALI                   | 700                        | 5,274,578                        | 86,662                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 452,000                 |                    | 5,813,240                     |
| DILLINGHAM               | 507                        | 5,965,135                        | 98,107                                   | 34,310           |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 542,160                 | 823,584            | 7,463,296                     |
| FAIRBANKS                | 14,320                     | 112,855,547                      | 2,137,888                                |                  |                                    | 111,008                  |                    |                                  | 9,932,736               | 9,848,312          | 134,885,491                   |
| GALENA                   | 3,709                      | 19,453,365                       | 284,411                                  |                  | 1,974,800                          |                          |                    |                                  | 78,795                  |                    | 21,791,371                    |
| HAINES                   | 289                        | 3,124,515                        | 60,398                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 174,654                 | 910,269            | 4,269,836                     |
| HOONAH                   | 115                        | 1,827,473                        | 30,466                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 34,270                  | 69,895             | 1,962,104                     |
| HYDABURG                 | 53                         | 1,064,389                        | 16,440                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 0                       |                    | 1,080,829                     |
| IDITAROD                 | 331                        | 5,491,608                        | 84,273                                   | 21,300           |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 39,668                  |                    | 5,636,849                     |
| JUNEAU                   | 5,038                      | 39,870,568                       | 775,341                                  |                  |                                    | 87,328                   |                    |                                  | 2,759,428               | 14,193,166         | 57,685,831                    |
| KAKE                     | 85                         | 1,339,716                        | 21,165                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 17,391                  |                    | 1,378,272                     |
| KASHUNAMIUT              | 318                        | 3,544,332                        | 77,376                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 1,591                   |                    | 3,623,299                     |
| KENAI                    | 9,088                      | 73,113,863                       | 1,404,575                                | 26,960           |                                    | 224,690                  |                    |                                  | 5,547,150               | 1,874,534          | 82,191,772                    |
| KETCHIKAN                | 2,143                      | 17,519,060                       | 329,338                                  |                  |                                    | 66,897                   |                    |                                  | 1,510,706               | 2,468,894          | 21,894,895                    |
| KLAWOCK                  | 132                        | 1,894,834                        | 33,144                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 29,436                  |                    | 1,957,414                     |
| KODIAK                   | 2,556                      | 24,255,842                       | 425,298                                  |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 1,473,605               | 2,407,390          | 28,562,135                    |
| KUSPUK                   | 329                        | 6,366,127                        | 109,192                                  | 7,540            |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 215,166                 |                    | 6,698,025                     |
| LAKE AND PENINSULA       | 317                        | 9,089,153                        | 139,321                                  |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 116,872                 | 903,060            | 10,248,406                    |
| LOWER KUSKOKWIM          | 4,035                      | 58,091,248                       | 1,044,063                                |                  | 325,444                            | 95,753                   |                    |                                  | 843,231                 |                    | 60,399,739                    |
| LOWER YUKON              | 1,979                      | 29,247,559                       | 560,332                                  |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 1,979                   |                    | 29,809,870                    |
| MAT-SU                   | 17,267                     | 137,189,085                      | 2,332,851                                | 4,920            |                                    | 62,004                   |                    |                                  | 12,099,072              | 15,259,528         | 166,947,460                   |
| NENANA                   | 1,104                      | 7,047,931                        | 103,715                                  |                  | 844,656                            |                          |                    |                                  | 114,444                 |                    | 8,110,746                     |
| NOME                     | 701                        | 8,276,566                        | 134,111                                  |                  |                                    | 83,685                   |                    |                                  | 269,490                 | 229,810            | 8,993,662                     |
| NORTH SLOPE              | 1,572                      | 13,889,300                       | 391,343                                  |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 1,490,256               | 1,208,424          | 16,979,323                    |
| NORTHWEST ARCTIC         | 1,760                      | 29,541,522                       | 484,603                                  | 17,120           |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 38,720                  | 4,345,443          | 34,427,408                    |
| PELICAN                  | 10                         | 434,418                          | 5,745                                    |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 720                     |                    | 440,883                       |
| PETERSBURG               | 452                        | 5,635,161                        | 98,447                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 124,752                 | 497,691            | 6,356,051                     |
| PRIBILOF                 | 86                         | 1,339,390                        | 28,107                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 0                       |                    | 1,367,497                     |
| SAINT MARY'S             | 160                        | 3,225,044                        | 47,090                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 12,000                  |                    | 3,284,134                     |
| SITKA                    | 1,300                      | 11,586,245                       | 220,639                                  |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 540,992                 | 2,621,793          | 14,969,669                    |
| SKAGWAY                  | 60                         | 407,702                          | 14,125                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 2,160                   |                    | 423,987                       |
| SOUTHEAST                | 163                        | 4,526,717                        | 65,498                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 177,261                 |                    | 4,769,476                     |
| SOUTHWEST                | 630                        | 9,493,213                        | 182,452                                  | 68,630           |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 377,009                 |                    | 10,121,304                    |
| TANANA                   | 42                         | 976,882                          | 14,893                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 20,076                  |                    | 1,011,851                     |
| UNALASKA                 | 415                        | 3,847,437                        | 81,333                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 268,920                 | 833,318            | 5,031,008                     |
| VALDEZ                   | 667                        | 4,295,270                        | 110,374                                  |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 444,222                 | 97,559             | 4,947,425                     |
| WRANGELL                 | 412                        | 3,890,112                        | 66,073                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 185,952                 | 212,650            | 4,354,787                     |

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|--------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|--|------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| YAKUTAT                  | 108                        | 1,450,635                        | 24,942                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 78,084                  |                     | 1,553,661                     |
| YUKON FLATS              | 248                        | 7,209,045                        | 113,493                                  |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 62,148                  |                     | 7,384,686                     |
| YUKON/KOYUKUK            | 1,322                      | 11,345,548                       | 177,690                                  | 5,120            |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 84,019                  |                     | 11,612,377                    |
| YUPIIT                   | 457                        | 6,673,897                        | 131,006                                  |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  | 914                     |                     | 6,805,817                     |
| Mt. EDGE CUMBE           | 400                        | 3,248,916                        | 55,117                                   |                  |                                    |                          |                    |                                  |                         |                     | 3,304,033                     |
| OTHER                    | \1                         | 26,027,300                       |  |                  |                                    |                          | 2,037,014          | 5,826,800                        |                         | 770,300             | 34,661,414                    |
| Sub Totals               | 129,472                    | 1,107,981,112                    | 20,000,000                               | 185,900          | 3,144,900                          | 1,100,000                | 3,318,382          | 5,826,800                        | 62,665,717              | 108,145,536         | 1,312,368,347                 |
| TOTALS                   | 129,472                    | \$1,107,981,112                  | \$20,000,000                             | \$185,900        | \$3,144,900                        | \$1,100,000              | \2<br>\$3,318,382  | \3<br>\$5,826,800                | \$62,665,717            | \4<br>\$108,145,536 | \$1,312,368,347               |

- \1 OTHER INCLUDES OTHER ADJUSTMENTS.
- \2 OTHER INCLUDES ALLOCATION TO SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICE AGENCY (SESA).
- \3 OTHER INCLUDES ESTIMATED ALASKA CHALLENGE YOUTH ACADEMY.
- \4 OTHER INCLUDES ESTIMATED DEBT REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM OVERHEAD.

**Alaska Department of Education & Early Development  
FY2012 Capital Grants for School Districts - Summary**

| <b>District</b>  | <b>Project Description</b>   | <b>Amount</b>     |
|--|--|-------------------|
| <b>SB46 - Capital Budget</b>                           |  |                   |
| <i>Department of Education &amp; Early Development</i> |  |                   |
| <b>Major Maintenance Grant Fund (AS 14.11.007)</b>     |  |                   |
| St. Mary's   | St. Mary's Complex Renovation Completion                               | 105,954           |
| Ketchikan  | Valley Park Elementary Roof Replacement                                | 1,211,170         |
| Nome   | Nome Elementary School Boiler Replacement                              | 545,838           |
| Lower Yukon  | Alakanuk Emergency Electrical Service Repairs                          | 89,621            |
| Pelican  | Pelican High School Mechanical Upgrades                                | 150,628           |
| Annette Island   | Annette Island School District Phone System Replacement                | 95,422            |
| Yukon Flats  | Arctic Village K-12 School Soil Remediation                            | 5,517,065         |
| Take   | Take District-wide Lighting Upgrades                                   | 59,215            |
| Denali   | Tri-Valley K-12 School Gymnasium and Locker Room Roof Replacement      | 691,312           |
| St. Mary's   | St. Mary's Backup Generators Replacement                               | 1,133,912         |
| Lower Yukon  | Scammon Bay K-12 School Generator and Fuel Tank Relocation             | 1,696,152         |
| Aleutians East   | Sand Point K-12 School Gym Floor and Bleacher Replacement              | 151,540           |
| Lower Yukon  | Pitka's Point K-8 School Renovation                                    | 8,360,235         |
| Yakutat  | Yakutat Elementary Kitchen Renovation Completion                       | 52,172            |
| Yukon Koyukuk  | Kaltag K-12 School Mechanical and Electrical Upgrades                  | 2,365,365         |
| Kuspuk   | Jack Egnaty Sr. K-12 School Roof Replacement, Sleetmute                | 1,142,184         |
| Lower Kuskokwim  | Tununak K-12 School Major Maintenance                                  | 19,166,462        |
| Yukon Koyukuk  | Andrew K. Demoski K-12 School Renovation, Nulato                       | 11,819,009        |
| Anchorage  | Anchorage District-wide Roof Replacements and Structural Upgrades      | 6,492,500         |
| Northwest Arctic                                       | Buckland K-12 School Heating System Improvements                       | 292,408           |
| Chatham  | Tenakee K-12 School Roof Replacement                                   | 520,001           |
| Lower Kuskokwim  | Nunapitchuk Wastewater Upgrades  | 1,045,500         |
| Lower Kuskokwim  | Bethel Campus Water Sewer Line and Utilidor Repairs                    | 2,499,850         |
| Annette Island   | Metlakatla Elementary School Underground Fuel Tank Replacement         | 360,285           |
| Valdez   | Valdez High School Fire Alarm and Sprinkler Replacement                | 694,943           |
| Nenana   | Nenana K-12 School Major Maintenance                                   | 1,354,111         |
| Aleutians East   | Akutan K-12 School Siding Replacement                                  | 63,822            |
| Nenana   | Nenana K-12 School ADA Upgrades and Erosion Control                    | 713,158           |
| Ketchikan  | Ketchikan District-wide Electric Boiler Installation                   | 3,432,996         |
| Craig  | Craig Alternative Wood Heat Project                                    | 161,172           |
| Aleutians East   | Sand Point K-12 School Pool Maintenance                                | 73,895            |
| Lower Kuskokwim  | Mekoryuk Wastewater Upgrades   | 858,707           |
| Valdez   | Hermon Hutchens Elementary Fire Alarm, Clock, and Intercom Replacement | 323,446           |
|  | <b>Total</b>   | <b>73,240,050</b> |

**Alaska Department of Education & Early Development  
FY2012 Capital Grants for School Districts - Summary**

| District  | Project Description   | Amount             |
|---|---|--------------------|
| <b>School Construction Grant Fund (AS 14.11.005)</b>                              |   |                    |
| Lower Kuskokwim   | Kuinerrarmiut Elitnaurviat K-12 School Renovation/Addition, Quinhagak | 28,489,312         |
| Lower Kuskokwim   | Napaskiak K-12 School Replacement                                     | 33,421,589         |
| Northwest Arctic Borough  | Kivalina K-12 School Renovation/Addition                              | 14,724,714         |
| <b>Total</b>  |   | <b>76,635,615</b>  |
| <b>School Construction Grant Fund (AS 14.11.005) Section 13, Ch. 29, SLA 2008</b> |   |                    |
| Lower Yukon   | ** Ignatius Bean Memorial School Improvement Project                  | 3,500,000          |
| Lower Yukon   | ** Emmonak School Renovation/Addition                                 | 1,500,000          |
| <b>Total</b>  |   | <b>5,000,000</b>   |
| <b>Grand Total Capital Grants for Schools</b>                                     |   | <b>154,875,665</b> |

\*\* These grants are reappropriated to the school construction grant fund (AS 14.11.005) for payment as a grant under AS 14.11.015.