

# KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

## RESOLUTION 07-08-2

### SUPPORTING RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION FUNDING TASK FORCE REPORT

**WHEREAS**, The Joint Legislative Education Funding Task Force met regularly over the summer; and

**WHEREAS**, the Task Fore accepted public testimony, and openly discussed and debated the merits of different changes to the education funding formula; and

**WHEREAS**, the Task Force has prepared a report to the Legislature and the Governor; and

**WHEREAS**, implementation of the Task Force recommendations will improve public education in Alaska and provide school districts with a more equitable and stable funding scheme; and

**WHEREAS**, in the creation of the report, compromises were made to reach a generally acceptable consensus; and

**WHEREAS**, the Task Force specifically discussed that the Base Student Allocation amount would be subject to further debate in the Legislature;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Board of Education supports the recommendations of the Task Force; and specifically finds the following recommendations to be of high importance:

- The passing by the Legislature of SB 125 (PERS/TRS cost sharing) in substantially the same form as it currently exists;
- The creation of standing Education Committees in the House and Senate to oversee and review all education issues in the state;
- The referral to the Education Committees of the various long-term issues discussed in the Task Force report;
- The implementation of the ISER district cost factors, phased in to statute over time as set out in the Task Force recommendations;
- The phased increases in the intensive need funding with those increases set into statute;
- The recalibration of the transportation reimbursement rate based on the most recent actual audited costs; and
- An increasing Base Student Allocation amount, set in statute for fiscal years 2009, 2010 and 2011, at an amount that will keep pace with projected cost increases over those years.

**Adopted by the Kenai Peninsula Borough Board of Education on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2007.**

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Debra Mullins, President  
Kenai Peninsula Borough School District  
Board of Education

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sally Tachick  
Notary Public, State of Alaska  
My Commission Expires 07/25/09