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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

NEWS RELEASE

State funding set for public education

Soldotna, June 23, 2017—The Alaska State Legislature adopted a budget which includes Status Quo K-12 education Base Student Allocation (BSA) funding for the 2017-2018 school year.

"Now that the legislature has come to a budget agreement for K-12 funding, we are able to move forward to prepare for the new school year beginning August 22, 2017," said Sean Dusek, superintendent. "We will fill open teaching positions as best we can, and hope to have a full staffing recommendation for the school board to consider soon. We thank and appreciate the efforts of our legislators and local leaders in this process. We thank our staff, families, and community members who invested time and effort to learn about education revenue and expenditures, as well as advocate to the legislature and borough on behalf of our excellent schools in the KPBSD.

It is our hope that future funding for K-12 education will be decided much earlier in the process to avoid the uncertainty of programs and opportunities for our students experienced during these past several months. We will continue to work with the legislature to fulfill the goal of a sustainable, responsible, long-term fiscal plan that will allow Alaska to continue to be a vibrant and attractive state in which to live."

[HB57](#) is awaiting transmission to the Governor, and the next step in the legislative process is for the Governor to sign and adopt the budget.

Link

- [The Alaska State Legislature](#) webpage
- Office of the Governor, [2017 Legislative Session, Bills Submitted](#)
- [CCS HB 57: Appropriations: Operating Budget/Loans/Funds](#)

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