

Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

MEMORANDUM

TO: Peter Ribbens, Assembly President
Members, KPB Assembly

FROM: Tyson Cox, Assembly *TRC*

DATE: February 25, 2025

SUBJECT: **LAYDOWN Cox Amendment** to Resolution 2025-014, Urging the State of Alaska to Implement a Sustainable Increase to the Base Student Allocation (BSA) and Invest in Strategic Improvements to Public Education (Cox, Tunseth)

(Please note the bold underlined language is new and the bracketed strikeout language is to be deleted.)

- Add a 5th Whereas as follows and reorder the remaining whereas clauses:

WHEREAS, the KPB consistently funds over 95% of the allowable maximum local contribution which is significantly greater than comparable municipalities across the State, KPB's local contribution has kept pace with or exceeded inflation while State funding has not; and

- Amend Section 1 as follows:

SECTION 1. That the Assembly requests the State Legislature and Governor Dunleavy to pass a balanced education package that includes a permanent and sustainable increase to the base student allocation—indexed to inflation—as well as strategic investments in teacher retention, student literacy, and **public** school choice options as part of a comprehensive education plan that incorporates responsible reforms to strengthen student achievement.

Your consideration is appreciated.