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NOTICE OF IMPACT AID PREDETERMINATION HEARING UNDER SECTION 7009 OF THE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT

This notice is to inform you of an Impact Aid predetermination hearing to be held via Microsoft Teams under the authority of Section 7009 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended. The Alaska Department of Education and Early Development (State) timely filed a request dated March 1, 2024, to take Impact Aid payments into account in determining State aid payments to local educational agencies (LEAs) during State fiscal year (FY) 2025. Data supporting this request are available on the State's website at https://education.alaska.gov/schoolfinance/foundationfunding. As the Department of Education's (Department's) determination for FY 2025 will be based on final disparity data from two years prior, the documents for FY 2023 are the subject of the hearing.

The subject of the hearing concerns the State's compliance with the disparity test requirements in Section 7009, and regulations at 34 C.F.R. §222.160-222.165. The purpose of the hearing is to give State educational agencies and LEAs in Alaska an opportunity to present their views with respect to the data that was submitted to the determine whether the State meets the disparity test. If the Department determines that the State meets the disparity standard under section 7009 and its implementing regulations, the State may reduce an LEA's State aid by an amount equal to a certain proportion of the Impact Aid assistance that LEA has received.

The hearing will be held via Microsoft Teams on **June 3, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. Alaska time**. Register to attend the hearing at this link.

After the hearing, participants who wish to do so may submit additional written comments or data to the Impact Aid Program by June 18, 2024.

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