## NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO INCREASE TUITION, ROOM AND BOARD AND FEES FOR THE ALASKA VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL CENTER IN THE REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

## BRIEF DESCRIPTION

The Department of Labor and Workforce Development proposes to change regulations on rates for student tuition, room and board, and fees for the programs and services provided by the Alaska Vocational Technical Center.

The Department of Labor and Workforce Development proposes to adopt regulation changes in Title 8 of the Alaska Administrative Code, dealing with the rates for student tuition, room and board, and fees for the programs and services provided by the Alaska Vocational Technical Center, including the following:

(1) 8 AAC 82.100 is proposed to be changed as follows:

The student tuition, room and board, and fees for programs and services will increase by approximately 7.5% for two consecutive years, in FY17 and FY18. The rates for custom or contract training also will increase. The increases are necessary to cover increased expenses in the operating budget for its programs.

You may comment on the proposed regulation changes, including the potential costs to private persons of complying with the proposed changes, by submitting written comments to Linda Carpenter, Alaska Vocational Technical Center at P.O. Box 889, Seward, AK 99664. Additionally, the Alaska Vocational Technical Center will accept comments by facsimile at (907) 224-4401 and by electronic mail at linda.carpenter@avtec.edu. Comments may also be submitted through the Alaska Online Public Notice System, by accessing this notice on the system and using the "comment" link. The comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on October 20, 2015.

You may submit written questions relevant to the proposed action to Linda Carpenter by linda.carpenter@avtec.edu and to Linda Carpenter, Alaska Vocational Technical Center, P.O. Box 889, Seward, AK 99664. The questions must be received at least 10 days before the end of the public comment period. The Department of Labor and Workforce Development will aggregate its response to substantially similar questions and make the questions and response available on Alaska Online Public Notice System. The Department of Labor and Workforce Development may, but is not required to, answer written questions received after the 10-day cut-off date and before the end of the comment period.

If you are a person with a disability who needs a special accommodation in order to participate in this process, please contact Linda Carpenter at (907) 224-6153 no later than October 13, 2015 to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

A copy of the proposed regulation changes is available on the Alaska Online Public Notice System or by contacting Linda Carpenter at P.O. Box 889, Seward, AK 99664.

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After the public comment period ends, the Department of Labor and Workforce Development will either adopt the proposed regulation changes or other provisions dealing with the same subject, without further notice, or decide to take no action. The language of the final regulations may be different from that of the proposed regulations. You should comment during the time allowed if your interests could be affected.

Statutory Authority: AS 44.31.020

Statutes Being Implemented, Interpreted, or Made Specific: AS 44.31.020

Fiscal Information: The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

DATE: 9/17/15

Heidi Drygas, Commissioner

Department of Labor and Workforce Development