

# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE



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Governor Mike Dunleavy  
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Governor Dunleavy,

We urge you to provide a release to Bree's Law Incorporated for the non-profit use, modification, and distribution of the Bree's Law Education curriculum, including derivative works.

The death of Bree Moore in 2014 spurred a statewide effort to educate teenagers about dating violence. The Alaska Safe Children's Act (Bree's Law and Erin's Law) requires teen dating violence awareness and prevention to be taught to students across Alaska in grades 7 through 12. After Bree's Law passed, the Alaska Department of Education & Early Development (DEED) created a new Bree's Law Education curriculum to be made available across the state of Alaska. Bree's parents, Butch and Cindy Moore, worked with DEED to create this curriculum.

In 2022, Bree's Law was included in the Congressional reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act, which provides \$40,000,000 in funds to develop and implement teen dating violence prevention education across America. This, along with a \$950,000 FY 2023 Congressional Directed Spending Grant, will allow for the nationwide expansion of Alaska's teen dating violence education curriculum. The Moores have been working with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to ensure the revised curriculum will be tested and evaluated to align with National Adolescent Health Standards before it is released.

Bree's Law Incorporated was notified on April 5th that they will not be allowed to use the Alaska Bree's Law Education curriculum for this purpose. We ask your Administration to reconsider this decision. The release will authorize preparation of derivative works from the source files and further alteration and distribution of the Bree's Law Teen Dating Violence Prevention curriculum for free across the United States. Without this release, Bree's Law Incorporated risks losing the \$950,000 federal grant.

Bree's Law is a celebrated and successful public safety effort taught in classrooms across Alaska. We strongly believe the Bree's Law curriculum will help prevent dating violence and result in safer interpersonal relationships among teens across the nation.

Sincerely,

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