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AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT

Virtual Meeting
Regulatory Revisions - Administrative Order 360
Chapter 34 - Bilingual-Bicultural Education

PUBLIC COMMENT

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1 PROCEEDINGS
2 **JAKE ALMEIDA:** Okay, Kathijo, you can go
3 ahead and start recording.
4 **KATHIJO JOLIN:** Recording is started.
5 **JAKE ALMEIDA:** Good afternoon, everyone.
6 I'd like to welcome you to today's Administrative
7 Order, or AO, 360 stakeholder input session on Chapter
8 34. Thank you for taking the time to join us.
9 The purpose of this meeting is to hear
10 directly from stakeholders and members of the public
11 regarding regulatory burdens or barriers you believe
12 should be addressed as part of the Alaska's AO 360
13 reform project introduced by the governor.
14 Your input is critical in helping us
15 shape meaningful changes that support students and
16 schools. To honor your time, this session will end
17 promptly at the top of the hour.
18 We'll go ahead and clarify just the
19 process. I want to take a moment to explain how
20 today's session fits into the broader process.
21 These stakeholder meetings are
22 opportunities for us to listen to your perspectives
23 before any regulations are drafted, amended, or
24 repealed. This is not the formal public comment
25 process under the Administrative Procedure Act. That

1 instructions again for the public comment when someone
2 is in the meeting.
3 (Pause)
4 **JAKE ALMEIDA:** We will now conclude this
5 public stakeholder meeting for Chapter 34 of the
6 Department of Education and Early Development related
7 regulations on this Thursday, October 2nd, 2025 at 4:20
8 p.m.
9 If you are watching this recording after
10 the fact and would like to submit feedback regarding
11 these regulations, you can go to our website at
12 education.alaska.gov/ao360, and you can find the
13 associated chapter you're looking to submit comments
14 for, and it will be submitted to the record that way.
15 We will now close this meeting.
16 (Meeting concluded)
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1 process will begin later after draft regulations have
2 undergone legal review and have been formally approved
3 for public comment.
4 As part of our regulatory reform plan,
5 the department must create a list of all the comments
6 we receive during this stakeholder process along with
7 whether we intend to implement each recommendation. If
8 we do not adopt a recommendation, we're required to
9 explain why or why not.
10 This is why your feedback today is so
11 valuable. It will directly shape the department's
12 analysis and inform you of the next steps.
13 For the meeting overview and timeline,
14 first we will hear a short overview of the regulations
15 for this meeting. There will be a sign-up link
16 provided in the comments, then we will move into the
17 comment period where you may share your input, and then
18 comments will be recorded, summarized, and included in
19 the department's reform plan.
20 The comment period will remain open for
21 30 days in this session for written feedback. Please
22 reference the chat for information on submitting
23 written feedback.
24 So at this time we are just waiting for
25 anyone from the public to join, and we will go over the

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