From: Trever Ferrin
To: Rep. Laddie Shaw
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Dear Representative Shaw, my name is Trever Ferrin and I am writing to you this morning in favor of HB22. I have been a firefighter for the anchorage fire department for 12 years and I am born and raised in Anchorage. Anchorage is my home and I love this community. Over my short 12 year career, I have seen several great employees leave to other fire departments because of AFD's lack of retirement. The tier 4 "retirement" system that is set up right now is not adequate and it has even got me, a lifelong Alaskan, thinking about looking for a job with a pension. AFD has also struggled over the past decade with recruitment. When I tested for the fire department in 2007, there were 800 plus people that showed up for the written test. In recent years we are lucky to get 200.

I ask that you take action on HB 22 and show support for public safety.

Thank you for your time.

Trever Ferrin