



February 12, 2018

The Honorable Chuck Kopp
House of Representatives
State Capitol Room 13
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Representative Kopp:

On behalf of the Alaska Peace Officers Association (APOA), I am writing to convey our support of HB 216, "An Act relating to restitution; relating to the office of victims' rights; relating to transfers from the dividend fund; creating the restorative justice account; relating to appropriations from the restorative justice account for services for and payments to crime victims, operating costs of the Violent Crimes Compensation Board, operation of domestic violence and sexual assault programs, mental health services and substance abuse treatment for offenders, and incarceration costs; relating to delinquent minors; and providing for an effective date."

The APOA board of directors unanimously supports HB 216 and pleased to see your efforts to place victim restitution of the utmost importance. Thank you for your commitment and support to our state and concern for those who have suffered as victims.

Please contact the APOA office in Anchorage at 277-0515 if there is anything our organization can do to help with the passage of this important bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark S. Pearson".

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About APOA

The Alaska Peace Officers Association (APOA) is a dynamic, professional and non-partisan organization. Our membership consists of law enforcement, corrections, prosecutors, security professionals and others at the local, state and federal levels. APOA has served as a voice for peace officers and issues impacting the law enforcement profession for over half a century. APOA is one of the oldest and largest 501c(3) charitable, nonprofit organizations in Alaska. www.apoaonline.org