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My name is Mike Coons, President, Alaska Chapter of AMAC and speaking for my chapter.

According the the New York Post, Apr 10, President Trump just signed an executive order to require work for Welfare. See https://nypost.com/2018/04/10/trump-just-took-a-giant-step-towards-actual-welfare-reform/?utm_source=facebook_sitebuttons&utm_medium=site%20buttons&utm_campaign=site%20buttons

"President Trump's new executive order on welfare reform has laid the groundwork to get more Americans back to work while protecting and strengthening the safety net for the truly needy. Federal agencies must take advantage of this opportunity to roll back harmful Obama-era policies that have trapped families in dependency and cost taxpayers billions."

Back when President Clinton was in office the House and Senate passed and Clinton signed, Welfare reform. President Obama through Executive Orders in essence repealed that. Now we have a President that has undone Obama's EO and getting welfare reform back on track.

Senator Kelly's bill, along with other States, Tennessee the latest, adds to what the President has done. For far too long we have shelled out 10's of billions of dollars to generations of families on Welfare, food stamps, now EBT cards, and Medicaid. The era of LBJ and his "Great Society", hopefully is drawing to a close. Last number I have heard is nationally we have spent over 2 Trillion dollars and poverty is worse in real numbers than when LBJ start this monster!

This is but another step to reduce the cost of Medicaid after the Medicaid reform already passed by this legislature. I am hopeful that the next step is to strip the Cadillac plan that Medicaid presently has down to what is really needed.

Pass out of committee and pass on the Senate Floor and let's take advantage of our Presidents work to Make America and Alaska Great Again!

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