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To: Rep. Rebecca Himschoot; Rep. Louise Stutes; Jane Conway; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Senate Judiciary; Rep. Jamie Allard
Subject: HB93 Concerns

Dear Legislators,

I am writing to express a concern regarding HB 93, which has passed the House and is now before the Senate Judiciary Committee. While I understand and support the intent of this legislation, I am concerned that, as currently written, it may have unintended consequences for certain Alaska residents—specifically Alaska-based pilots and flight attendants.

Many pilots and flight crew members live full-time in Alaska, are based out of Anchorage, own homes here, raise families here, and contribute meaningfully to their local communities. These are also the men and women who make air travel possible for Alaska's communities—connecting rural villages, supporting medical transport, sustaining commerce, and ensuring reliable access across our state. Yet, due to the nature of their work, they are required to fly out of state and spend nights outside Alaska nearly every time they work.

Under the current language of HB 93, these Alaska-based workers could technically be at risk of losing their status as Alaska residents for purposes such as hunting and fishing privileges. For many Alaskans, hunting and fishing are not merely recreational activities—they are deeply tied to culture, subsistence, and quality of life.

I respectfully urge lawmakers to consider adding a clear carve-out or safeguard in HB 93 for Alaska residents who must travel and spend nights outside the state as a condition of employment. This would ensure that individuals who maintain their domicile, family, and primary ties in Alaska—and who play a critical role in keeping our state connected—can retain their in-state hunting and fishing privileges.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and continued work on behalf of Alaskans. I appreciate your attention to this issue and would welcome any opportunity to provide additional perspective and testimony.

Sincerely,

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