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The Honorable Bill Stoltze Alaska State Legislature State Capitol, Room 515 Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Representative Stoltze:

House Bill 421 was read across the floor on March 26, 2010 and referred to the House Finance Committee for consideration. This bill addresses compensation for public employees who are not covered by collective bargaining agreements.

The Department of Administration has recently completed negotiations on five separate labor contracts with unions representing over 12,000 classified state employees. Reports of the monetary terms of these agreements have been transmitted to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House.

This bill would provide a similar increase to approximately 3,000 employees in the Executive (~1,700), Legislative (~500) and Judicial (~800) branches who are paid based on the statutory pay schedule found in AS 39.27.011. Specifically, the bill would increase the statutory pay schedule by 2% in each of the next three fiscal years, beginning on July 1, 2010 (FY11-12-13).

I respectfully request that HB 421 be scheduled for hearing in the House Finance Committee as early as possible.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Annette Kreitzer