

ALASKA FIRE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION

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Senator Bert Stedman State Capitol Room 516 Juneau AK, 99801

Reference: HB304 "An Act relating to the membership of the Alaska Fire Standards Council."

Dear Senator Stedman,

On behalf of the Alaska Fire Chiefs Association I would like to ask you to schedule HB304 for a hearing before Senate Finance.

HB304 will accomplish the goal of having all of the state fire service organizations represented on the Alaska Fire Standards Council. The Fire Standards Council establishes the professional standards and curriculum requirements for the certification of training programs. We believe the inclusion of the Alaska Fire Chiefs Association and the Alaska Professional Firefighters Association, along with the Alaska State Firefighters Association will only enhance the ability of this Council to accomplish its mission.

This bill has support from all of the involved organizations including the Alaska Fire Standards Council and there had been no opposition.

I want to thank you for your hard work and encourage you to schedule this bill for a hearing.

Sincerely,

Jeff Tucker, Fire Chief Immediate Past-President AFCA