

February 22, 2011

Representative Kurt Olson State Capital Building Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Re; Support of HB-155

Representative Olson

On behalf of the ASHBA (Alaska State Home Building Association) we write you this letter stating our support for HB-155 (An Act relating to public construction contracts).

The ASHBA is an organization that works and operates in the private and light commercial sector of the construction industry. The association currently has 700 plus members working and operating throughout the State.

We feel it is the appropriate time for the introduction of HB-155, the original guidelines were instituted based on a 1935 enactment of the Davis Bacon Prevailing Wages Agreement, and it is apparent that the economic times and contractual situations have changed over the years. We feel this bill will assist the construction community in simplifying the guidelines for smaller less complicated government contracts, and will open the opportunity for competing smaller contractors to enter the market.

We appreciate you taking the time to sponsor this legislation and if you need help through testimony or other please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you,

Dave Owens President Alan Wilson Co-Chair Paul Michelsohn Jr.

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