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Dear Senator Hoffman and Senator Stedman and Senate Finance Committee members,

As you might be aware, for every \$1 invested in prevention we save at least \$10 in healthcare costs. I'm writing today to express my support for SB144. Immunization for our children and families is critical to help maintain a healthy state and protect our assets for the future.

The All Alaska Pediatric Partnership is a public private partnership committed to all children in Alaska since 1995, creating safe spaces to grow working relationships to move positive decisions forward for the health of Alaskan kids! A unique network of children's health service providers, we bring institutional perspectives to exchange ideas and develop collaborative approaches that will enhance rather than diminish Alaska's pediatric resources. We're a catalyst and quiet think tank moving systems of care through concentrated efforts on chosen initiatives.

We look forward to partnering with you to help Alaska's families!

Sincerely,

Stephanie Monahan

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