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Representative Chris Tuck
Alaska State Legislature
120 4th Street
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Dear Representative Tuck,

The Alaska Farm Bureau supports HB-309 relating to distillery licenses.

We feel that the distillery industry should be treated equally with the brewery and winery industries and their statutes.

The distillery industry is a growing in Alaska and is another use for Alaska's agricultural crops.

Agriculture benefits greatly from farm tours and providing samples of vegetables, berries and value added products to those who visit our farms and ranches. We can understand the desire and advantages of distilleries being able to serve samples of their products to potential customers visiting their distillery as well. Their customers should be able to purchase product on site as they visit or tour the facilities as well.

There is not a lot of time left in this legislative session. We support you and your colleagues in passing legislation to assist the distillers in promoting and selling their products in this growing industry.

For the Alaska Farm Bureau Board of Directors

Jane E. Hamilton
Executive Director