

From: Lawrence Gaffaney
Sent: Monday, January 28, 2013 2:15 PM
To: Sen. Cathy Giessel
Subject: Senate Bill 29 (SB29)

Dear Senator Giessel,

I hope you will support SB 29 and pass it through committee today as is.

The Science Advisory Panel, a group of independent experts, spent three years on the subject and concluded that there is no further harm to aquatic life.

They also concluded that the advanced waste water treatment systems on board the cruise ships are the most effective treatment systems available.

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Over 125 jobs in the community of Hoonah as well as the bulk of Huna Totem Corporation's income from Icy Strait Point and in Glacier Bay depends on the visitors from the cruise ships.

The cruise lines need a stable, dependable business environment to plan for the future as do Alaskan businesses.

Thank you for your support and quick action on this.

Best,

Larry