



# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the

Senate Finance

Committee on SB 18

Committee Name

Dated Apr. 1, 1<sup>st</sup> 2013

Bill / Subject

I am writing my support for the Big Brothers Big Sisters Mentoring for Educational Success Initiative. This 3 year, data-driven, endeavor is a partnership that will increase academic achievement for youth identified as "at-Risk". These "at-risk" youth are the individuals who deserve the most attention.

The benefit of funding this program now will be lower costs in future adult incarceration. It will save the state dollars in the long run.

Thank you for your consideration and please support Big Brothers Big Sisters in their request.

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