



## CITY OF FAIRBANKS

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Senator John Coghill  
Senate Majority Leader  
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Representative Steve Thompson  
Co-Chair House Finance Committee  
State Capitol, Room 515  
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

**Re: Senate Bill 43 and House Bill 104 – City of Fairbanks Support**

Senator Coghill and Representative Thompson,

I am writing to express the City of Fairbanks' support for the proposed amendment to AS 09.65.70(c) as detailed in Senate Bill 43 and House Bill 104.

Fairbanks area fire departments, both municipal and volunteer agencies, rely on each other via mutual aid agreements. These bills, if enacted, will protect residents by reducing the risk of liability and frivolous tort claims against municipal and non-profit fire agencies. This will translate to more effective mutual aid support, lower costs, and better services to all Fairbanks area residents.

Please encourage your colleagues in the Senate and House of Representatives to support this legislation.

Yours sincerely,

Mayor John Eberhart

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cc: Warren Cummings, Fire Chief  
Jim Williams, Chief of Staff  
Paul Ewers, City Attorney