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**To:** <u>Senate Finance Committee</u>

Subject: WWAMI

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Dear Senate Finance Committee members-- Please do not eliminate the WWAMI program from Alaska. As an emergency physician having worked in Alaska since 1990, I have seen the need for medical services in this state expand with the expansion of population and the aging of the population. There is ongoing need and demand for more physicians, especially primary care physicians. WWAMI has been a valuable program to try to meet that need, and should be expanded rather than eliminated. Sincerely, John Kasukonis, DO, FACEP.

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