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Legislators,

I'm a student at the University of Alaska Southeast. I'm studying Environmental Science with an emphasis in climate change. Real stuff that is effecting Alaska right now.

Do I support UA funding? I think we need to figure out a way to reducing spending as an entire state.

If you feel that you need to cut the UA budget, go ahead, but be prepared for the repercussions.

There has been a big movement in recent times to keep Alaskan students in Alaska. That's why I'm here, school is cheap and I wanted to stay in my home state.

If you cut school funding, they are going to have to cut programs and teachers. The very thing that keeps students here.

So goodbye students, good bye young people trying to make a difference for their home.

You could say I support UA funding, but if everything else is so terribly important, go ahead, take money away for our future generations.

Thanks for your time,

A concerned student