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While I applaud most of your efforts to reduce the State's budget, I am very concerned that the damage you do will be lethal for many programs. If these are truly expendable programs then perhaps they should be discontinued in one fell swoop rather than financially strangling them into a slow death. If they are programs that are valued by the State, then please be sure that they are funded to a level that provides for an appropriate program.

I am also concerned because I do not seem to be hearing much about how you are going to raise revenue. It has been stated over and over that Alaska cannot cut its way out of this budget crisis. Please do not delay on revenue raising actions. They are needed now, next year is too late.

Thank you.

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