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I am opposed to eliminating funding for public radio. In rural communities across Alaska public radio provides many public safety services that cannot be replaced. By eliminating all state funding for public radio will also eliminate federal funding. We know in the financial crisis we are in that everyone needs to take a cut. I request that you follow Gov. Walker proposed budget for FY17. The majority of Alaskans are ready to step up and help pay our way. I support a percentage income tax based on the amount of federal income tax a person pays. I do not support a state wide sales tax as many small communities already have that and Anchorage does not. I support putting a cap on our PFD at \$1000.00.

Remember half of the state lives where we depend on public Radio.

Thank you,

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