From: Christy Everett

To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: Full funding of education

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Honorable members of the Finance Committee:

A successful future for our state requires well educated citizens. Please retain full funding of the Base Student Allocation, including the proposed adjustment of \$50 per student, the pre-K program, and the UA system.

It is extremely short-sighted to consider cutting funding for education. Alaska cannot attract or retain citizens who will continue to develop our state into the future without a strong education system. Studies have overwhelmingly shown the importance of early childhood education, and families will not stay here without good schools. As a mother of five, I ask you to please act in the interests of present and future Alaskans by fully funding all educational programs.

Sincerely,

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