From: Annie Krause

To: Senate Finance Committee

Subject: Re: Continued funding for ACPE

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Good morning,

I'm writing in support of continued funding for the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education, particularly in regard to their Community Outreach program. As the only counselor in a PreK-12 school with over 400 students, I rely heavily on known, trusted sources of information and programming to engage my students in career exploration and postsecondary education/training. We use AKCIS extensively in our high school, and count on ACPE speakers to teach us about the newest changes in financial aid every October. It's important that these services continue to be available for students beyond the Anchorage and Juneau areas. Of course, we're all tightening our belts as budgets seem to dwindle across the state, but I believe that the best places to invest what we have are in programs to strengthen and educate our children. Please do not cut funding to our educational and training programs.

Respectfully, Annie Krause

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