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**To:** [Senate Finance Committee](#)  
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Dear House Finance Committee,

I hope this finds you doing well. It is a trying time for the state in terms of budget and I appreciate all of your hard work toward this very difficult and complex issue. I wish to express my fear for the lack of public media funding in the state for FY17 and the effect it would have on our community of Unalaska/Port of Dutch Harbor. We are very fortunate to have and dependent upon KUCB 89.7FM as our only source of daily news for the community. KUCB is vital here due to our lack of reliable cellular service and internet as we cannot always access important information without their aid. I listen to the station seven days a week to keep abreast of the happenings within our community. As a Tourism Bureau I refer potential visitors, those seeking employment/relocation here, and local businesses to KUCB as it is the only local source of pertinent information. In addition to the news, KUCB manages our community calendar, posts classifieds, runs public service announcements, aids in promoting local events, and so much more. Please consider the priceless value of public media specifically in smaller Alaskan communities whom are not on the road system when pushing budget cuts. We simply would not have daily local news without the brilliant work of KUCB in Unalaska/Dutch Harbor. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Cheers,

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