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**Subject: HB254 BGCSB** 

Hi Rep Stutes,

I wanted to personally Thank you for sponsoring this bill. It is absolutely vital to the guiding industry and well-being of all Alaskan hunters for the Big Game Commercial Services Board to be active. The last time it was sunset it ended up costing the state of Alaska a lot of money (which our industry is now paying back L ) and resulted in a lot of poor regulation due to lack of knowledge and understanding. I completely understand the budget issues this year and the debt of this board looks bad so I urge you to understand the history of were that debt came from and see the huge rate increases that have been placed on us(Alaskan Guides) to pay that back. We are now on track with a pace of rapid pay off and financial sustainability of the board as long as the legislator does not sun set us again and cause these problems. I urge them to not be short sighted when facing these budget issues.

Please let me know if there is anything I can do to help make the passing of this bill a success. If you need co-sponsors I know a few Legislators that I could reach out to.

Thanks again and along with Rainy Pass Lodge our family owns Kodiak Safari's and I have been enjoying your very unique district since I was 8 years old. It's a very special place.

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