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**To:** [Senate Finance Committee](#)  
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**From:** John Welsh [mailto:welshmx@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 29, 2015 1:19 AM  
**To:** Sen. Pete Kelly  
**Subject:** School Funding for Sitka

Dear Senator Kelly, As the father of three students in the Sitka School District, I encourage you to make state funding of education, and of our district in particular, a top priority. I also encourage you to speak frankly to the public and to the district about the specific factors affecting the school budget. In order to adjust locally, we must have accurate information. Is it wistful to think that the state will be able to restore the budget? We need to know. Please accept this as my testimony, as I can not come to a teleconference at the hour stated. Thank you. John Welsh