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To: Rep. Louise Stutes

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For Public Testimony

Dear House Fisheries Committee, I live in Spenard, Alaska, part of the big village of Anchorage, District I, when I do not reside on my vessel out of Cordova making a living commercial fishing. I have lived in my home since 1981. I came to Alaskan 1980. I have been part of the fishing industry since my arrival. I started out sport fishing. I have personal use fished, and I have subsistence fished. I have been a part of the commercial fishing industry since 1984.

Fishing is how I support myself and family. It also provides an important part of my diet. The Landing taxes in each fishing community is important part of the income which helps to provide the necessary infra- structure to support Alaskan communities and provide income to its citizens.

I OPPOSE HB110. Personal use should never be precedent-ed above subsistence use, that is why it is protected by the Alaskan constitution. Alaskans who do not already harvest fish by sport, personal or subsistence are able to access fishing resources through commercial harvest. The commercial management of Alaska Fisheries has assured escapement to provide fish for future generations, when necessary, mostly at the expense of commercial harvest times. All Harvesters need to be responsible for the health of Alaska's fishing resources, this includes sharing the burden of conservation.

Please honor your pledge to uphold the Alaska Constitution by opposing HB110.

Thank you, William Evans
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