

**HB44 Written Testimony by Barry Santana 3/2/2017**

Members of the Committee hearing testimony on HB44/HCR1,

**I am firmly in support of this legislation.** I believe it to be a very moderate and gracious way of changing rather sloppy conflict of interest provisions in state law.

I cannot fathom any citizen of Alaska, outside the Legislature, not supporting this long-overdue change. Representative Grenn, et al , have carefully documented the need for the change and have presented supporting evidence from other states having similar provisions. I believe that this bill and resolution should be passed as soon as possible this session, with an immediate effective date if possible.

As the authors state, this will be an excellent way for the Legislature to regain credibility and rebuild public trust in the legislative process.

Sincerely,

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