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Honorable Mia Costello, Chair Senate Labor and Commerce Committee Alaska State Senate State Capitol, Room 504 Juneau, AK 99801

RE: Senate Bill 126

Dear Senator Costello:

The Alaska State Medical Association (ASMA) represents physicians statewide and is primarily concerned with the health of all Alaskans.

I am writing to express ASMA is in support of SB 126 sponsored by Senator Anna MacKinnon. Senate Bill 126 adds to an existing list of exemptions for licensure in Alaska by medical professionals who are licensed in another jurisdiction and travel to Alaska. We support providing an additional exemption for physicians traveling with a sports team to Alaska who are licensed in another state to provide medical services. Sports teams often employ a physician to travel with them to provide medical services to team members, coaches, and others with the team during travel and competition.

ASMA urges your support of SB 126.

Sincerely,

Peter Lawrason, MD President
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cc: Senate Labor and Commerce Committee Members