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COMMITTEE:	<u>SFIN</u>	DATE: <u>03-08-2019</u>

Good morning Chairperson von Imhof, Chairman Stedman, members of the Senate Finance Committee. My name is Paul Shadura II and I am a resident of the Kenai Peninsula.

I have already testified in front of the Labor and Commerce Committee on February 19th, but I am here today to support the most current version of Senate Bill 16, also referred to as the “Save The Alaska State Fair Act.”

I want to thank Senator Micciche and co-sponsors for working to improve clarity and for working with the Alcohol Beverage Control Board to strengthen compliance while providing opportunity. The “State Fair” is truly an Alaskan Institution, considered a “family event,” it attracts and benefits all Alaskans and in all social categories, enhances and entertains, and is a pleasure to all who attend.

The “State Fair” or other regional community fairs are limited events that allow many in the communities of Alaska to come together, to better appreciate who we are and have a little fun!

In these trying times we should not be hindering functions that are considered “an Alaskan Way of Life.” Considering the challenges your committee has to tackle, how many other bills will you encounter that costs the people of the state nothing.

Thank you.

Paul A Shadura II.