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## Governor Michael J. Dunleavy STATE OF ALASKA

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The Honorable Cathy Giessel Senate President Alaska State Legislature State Capitol, Room 111 Juneau, AK 99801-1182

## Dear President Giessel:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the duties of the Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

The bill adds a new duty for the Department of Labor and Workforce Development to coordinate and monitor state career and technical education (CTE) programs by cooperating with the Department of Education and Early Development, the University of Alaska, and any other entities that provide or fund these programs. The bill formalizes the Department's role in promoting CTE programs, leverages existing workforce planning efforts, and directly utilizes the department's direct knowledge of Alaska's labor market to help inform CTE programs in the state.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Dunlea

Governor

Enclosure