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Representative Louise Stutes
House Fisheries Committee
State Capitol Room 406
Juneau, AK 99801

RE: HB 35 - Conflict of Interest Bill SUPPORT

Dear Chair Stutes and Committee Members:

Alaska's fisheries are extremely complex and diverse, as you are well aware. While the makeup of those sitting on the Board of Fisheries is in part meant to collectively represent fisheries' interests across the state, members are required to stay silent during deliberations of which they have knowledge. This bill would finally 'lift the veil' so members can share their expertise with fellow board members. The addition of this input can only aid conversation and consideration as members work to understand and vote upon the issues before them. This is long overdue. Thank you for sponsoring HB 35.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cynthia Wallesz". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Cynthia" being more prominent than the last name "Wallesz".

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