



To: Senate Transportation Committee

Re: SB 75

My name is Jeremy Miller and I am the Vice President of Trucking Operations at Carlile.

I am writing to express my support for SB 75 lowering the legal age of a CDL holder to 18 years old. The trucking industry as a whole has become very safety conscious and focused, adopting safer equipment that utilizes technology and implementing continuous training programs to develop drivers once they are hired. Many states have already adopted 18 as the legal age and Alaskan 18 year olds are capable of safely operating vehicles that require a CDL.

Nationwide we are experiencing a driver shortage in the tens of thousands. Passing SB 75 will help us in our effort to allow 18 year olds the opportunity to enter a career oriented industry immediately out of high school.

In closing SB75 is a good bill and I ask that you carefully consider and pass it.

Respectfully,

Jeremy Miller
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