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Governor Michael J. Dunleavy STATE OF ALASKA

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The Honorable Bryce Edgmon Speaker of the House Alaska State Legislature State Capitol, Room 208 Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Speaker Edgmon:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the Alaska Public Broadcasting Commission.

This bill would repeal the Alaska Public Broadcasting Commission (Commission) as of June 30, 2019. The Commission was created to aid in developing a statewide, integrated public broadcasting system and to coordinate all public broadcasting stations. The Commission's primary purpose has been to apply for, receive, and disburse grant funding for public broadcasting related purposes. This function can be accomplished utilizing non-governmental entities that can be attuned to and more responsive to the local broadcasting needs of communities. This bill directs the Commissioner of the Department of Administration to transfer all of the assets of the Commission to Alaska non-profit public broadcasting entities at no cost.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Dunleavy

Governor

Enclosure