



February 24, 2020

The Honorable Joshua Revak, Chair  
Senate State Affairs Committee  
Alaska State Legislature

Dear Senator Revak and members of the Senate State Affairs Committee:

Arctic Slope Regional Corporation is backing the passage of SB 80, an Act relating to proposing and enacting laws by initiative. SB 80 is good public policy. Oftentimes the initiative can be a blunt instrument when something more precise is required. Severability does little good to a process that already holds risk for thoughtful public policy development. SB 80 introduces clarity where it is currently needed. Passage of SB 80 will require initiative sponsors to ensure that their proposed measures are constitutional before they are put before the voters.

For these reasons, ASRC supports the passage of SB 80.

By way of background, ASRC, along with its family of companies, is the largest locally-owned and operated company in Alaska, employing approximately 15,000 people across the state and the Lower 48. Our shareholder base currently sits at approximately 13,000 members and grows by a rate of two to three percent a year. The Arctic Slope Regional Corporation headquarters are based in Utqiaġvik, Alaska, with administrative and subsidiary offices located in Anchorage and throughout the United States.

I appreciate the opportunity to weigh in on this important topic, and feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
ARCTIC SLOPE REGIONAL CORPORATION

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Rex A. Rock Sr.", is written in a cursive style.

Rex A. Rock Sr.  
President and CEO