

HB273

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Good afternoon and thank you Ms. Chairman, and Committee members for giving me time to comment. My name is Brandon Cullum and I am the CFO at Alaska Electric Light and Power Company here in Juneau. AELP has numerous generation and substation facilities around Juneau, as well as quite a few other properties, and many of them look enticing to people trying to get rid of their derelict vehicle. We see about three a year on average. When a vehicle is abandoned on our property it presents an operational impediment and safety risk that we have a strong interest in removing as quickly as possible. From what I understand from operations managers, we have never had a single person claim a vehicle once it's dumped on our property. But we do find that the longer a derelict vehicle stays on our property the more likely it is to attract other derelict vehicles, get in the way of our linemen and generation crews, attract people attempting to scavenge parts, and, most importantly, present a safety risk to our crew and community alike. For these reasons AEL&P supports HB273 and hopes to see it adopted.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 907-463-6399 or [branond.cullum@aelp.com](mailto:branond.cullum@aelp.com).