From: Richard Carter
To: House State Affairs
Subject: Support for HB 198

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Good morning House State Affairs Committee Members:

My name is Richard Carter. I'm a Juneau resident, house district 34.

I am writing in support of HB 198 because it is the right thing to do. I hope 2020 will be the year for equal protections for sexual orientation and gender identity because they are not grounds nor excuses for discrimination and the LGBTQ+ community should have the right to these protections regardless of how they identify in their personal and private lives.

Best, Richard