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To: Rep. Andy Josephson <<u>Rep.Andy.Josephson@akleg.gov</u>>
Subject: House Bill 55

Representative Andy Josephson,

My name is Evan and I am a firefighter/EMT with the City of Anchorage Fire Department. I'm writing you in support of House Bill 55.

I'm grew up in the state of Alaska, my family lives in Anchorage and Alaska has been home to us for the last 24 years. I'm beyond grateful to work for such a progressive fire department. This is where I want to stay, raise a family and eventually retire. When I talk to my good friends who are firefighters in states such as Washington, Tennessee, Georgia, California and Illinois, they consistently talk about the pension retirement plan they have and the retirement security it provides them and their families. Having these conversations with my friends can make it hard for someone in their mid 20's and a Tier 4 member, like myself, to not be interested in these job opportunities and pensions these states provide. You have my full support for HB55 and I believe this Bill will provide stability and consistency for the State of Alaska.

I want to thank you for you time and consideration on House Bill 55.

Thank you

Evan Kressly