

March 9, 2021

The Honorable Representative Thompson Alaska State Capital 120 4th Steet Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Representative Thompson:

As a certified public accountant and past member of the Alaska State Board of Public Accountancy I urge you and your colleagues to support HB126.

The Alaska State Board of Public Accountancy is essential in protecting the publics interest and ensuring that all practicing certified public accounts are meeting the requirements set forth in the States Statutes and Regulations.

In my tenure as a State Board member we reviewed many disciplinary proceedings and during that time every member of the board believed out main function was to be sure that the public is being protected and that the public never loses trust in the certified public accountant's brand.

The Board works tirelessly to ensure that our statutes and regulations are up to date and fall within the purview of the demands of our changing profession and the changing financial times.

I appreciate your consideration of HB126, and please feel free to contact me if you would like to discuss this issue any further.

Sincerely,

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