From: Todd, Kathleen

Sent: Thursday, March 31, 2022 10:46 AM

To: House Finance

Subject: HB 273

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I am writing in support of this bill tying the BSA to inflation. During my 15 years on the Valdez School Board I have experienced unchanging BSA's (really cuts to district buying power). I have also seen one year with special grants that were appreciated but came so late as to not be useable to support program enhancements or hire needed personnel (we could have hired for that elementary teacher position that we had given up to buy fuel oil, but it was too late to find one when the money for the high price of fuel arrived). Having increases tied to inflation will allow better planning in the medium term and will save the legislature a lot of time haggling over school funding every year. Even though I do not think current school funding is optimum, the predictability of increases tied to inflation would be worth more than the chance to have a higher increase in some years. \$

From: House Education

Sent: Tuesday, March 22, 2022 2:13 PM

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From: John Holst

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Subject: HB 273

Committee members, HB 273 is incredibly important as we watch inflation surging, and looking like it will not abate any time soon. Please support HB 273.

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