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Director Glen Klinkhart Alcohol & Marijuana Control Office 550 W. 7th Ave. Anchorage, AK 99501

Dear Director Klinkhart,

I am writing to clarify the legislative intent of some specific language in Senate Bill 9.

It has come to my attention that some licensees have expressed concerns regarding the intent of a paragraph in the current version \W of Senate Bill 9. Specifically, they are concerned that the license they currently hold, a Recreational Site (Rec. Site) License currently under AS 04.11.210, may not be converted to the new Sporting Activity or Event License being created in AS 04.09.270, upon application to the Board.

To avoid any inadvertent harm to current holders of a Rec. Site License, paragraph (c) was added to Section 168, found on page 122 of the bill. The language in this section is intended to grandfather any Rec. Site License, which does not easily convert to another license type, into a Sporting Activity or Event License. The intent of this language is to ensure no existing Rec. Site License holders are harmed when that license type is removed from statute.

Further concern has been expressed to me regarding auction houses who occasionally facilitate the liquidation of private collections or estate sales which contain alcoholic beverages. Specifically, the practice of private-party purchases from a private, non-manufacturing business entity who is approved for such sales in this, or another state has come up in recent conversations as the fine point of SB 9 are discussed.

It is our intent that this type of transaction will not be limited or prohibited by the bill and that shipment of the merchandise purchased in this type of transaction may be legally transported by a carrier licensed to transport alcoholic beverages into or within the State of Alaska.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and I look forward to hearing from you as the bill moves forward through the process.

Sincerely,

Peter A. Micciche Senator, District O

cc: Dana Walukiewicz, ABC Board Chair