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To: [Senate Finance Committee](#)
Subject: FW: Please Vote YES on Senate Bill 162 To Remove Unjust Sales Taxes on Gold and Silver
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Dear Senate Finance Committee Member,

SB 162 would exempt gold and silver from sales taxes imposed by localities. 44 states have already eliminated this tax on precious metals.

This tax harms in-state businesses and small-time investors. Alaska does not charge tax on the purchase of other assets held for resale such as stocks, real estate and other financial instruments.

Please ensure municipalities do not impose this tax on sound money in Alaska by passing SB162.

I urge you to vote YES on this measure.

Sincerely,
Concerned Alaska Resident