

Feb. 27th, 2023

Re: Support for SB23

Dear Senator Elvi Gray Jackson,

We at the Community United for Safety and Protection would like to express our appreciation and support for SB23, "An Act relating to the duties of the Alaska Police Standards Council; relating to municipal correctional officers and municipal correctional employees; making municipal police officers subject to police standards; relating to the duties of the Department of Public Safety; relating to reports of incidents of use of force by state and municipal police, probation, parole, and correctional officers and municipal correctional facility employees; and providing for an effective date."

As a group of current and former sex workers, sex trafficking survivors, and our allies working towards safety and protection for everyone in Alaska's sex trade, we have found that it is very important to hold law enforcement in Alaska to much higher and clearer standard of transparency when it comes to access to public records regarding policing by putting this much needed language into the Alaska Statutes.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely, Terra Burns Maxine Doogan Kat McElroy Amber Nickerson