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Re: **Opposition to HB 159** REGISTER INTERIOR DESIGNERS

Dear House Labor and Commerce Members,

As an AIA Alaska Member, Alaska Resident, and a Registered Architect in the State of Alaska for the past 29 years, I am writing to ask that you do not support the passage of HB 159: An Act relating to registered interior designers and interior design.

- There is no evidence presented that HB 159 will solve a problem that at this time does not exist.
- This proposed legislation is unnecessary and confusing and would **not protect the consumer or increase public safety**.
- I do not believe that current regulation of building design and engineering should be changed, the existing restricted scope of work for architects and engineers should remain as they are.
- I oppose the cost of Interior Design regulation being passed on to existing licensees. I support a regulation fee structure that is borne by the affected Interior Design licensees.

Based on the above comments I urge you to **OPPOSE** the passage of House Bill 159.

Respectfully yours,

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