



**TEAMSTERS  
LOCAL 959  
STATE OF ALASKA**

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**Via Email Rep.Jesse.Sumner@akleg.gov**

The Honorable Representative Jesse Sumner  
Chairman  
House Labor and Commerce Committee  
120 4<sup>th</sup> St.  
Juneau, AK 99801

Re:            Letter of Support for HB 186 – Volunteer Labor Compliance Officers

Representative Sumner:

Teamsters Local 959 fully endorses House Bill 186 Volunteer Labor Compliance Officers. Allowing volunteer labor compliance officers to be able to visit work sites and report observations made to the Department of Labor will benefit workers, employers, and the State of Alaska by saving on cost, yet increasing the reporting capability.

House Bill 186 will help with worker misclassification, wage theft, and tax fraud. These are critical for any job site to be maintained in a manner that is beneficial to the employer, employees, and clients.

We urge the passing of House Bill 186 to strengthen the rights of Alaskan workers and empower Alaska's workforce.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Teamsters Local 959

Patrick Fitzgerald  
Political Coordinator

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