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Subject: Re: Public Testimony Feb. 19 SB34

The Alaska Outdoor Council, whose members of 10,000 Alaskans regularly access the 222,000,000 acres of federal lands in Alaska support passage of SB 34 out of Committee and on to be signed into law as soon as possible.

There are numerous executive orders (EO) from the Biden administration, and new rulemakings from the US Departments of Interior and Agriculture regarding access and use of federal public lands in Alaska to make it advantageous that an Alaskan citizens commission (CACF) would go out to Alaska to inform and ask Alaskans who access federal lands what there interests are.

The Fiscal note for SB 34 is extremely conservative and would be well spent.
Tripling the funding for Travel would get the word out to rural Alaska where it needs to be heard.

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