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The Honorable Will Stapp
House Health and Social Services Finance Subcommittee Chair
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 513
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Chair Stapp,

Thank you for the opportunity to present to the February 27, 2024 House Health and Social Services Finance Subcommittee. Two questions received during the presentation required follow-up to better inform the subcommittee. Those answers are below.

1. Representative Mina inquired about when the last salary study for the Juvenile Justice Counselor was conducted.

The Juvenile Justice Counselor (JJC) job class series (formerly Youth Counselors and Juvenile Justice Officers) have undergone four major study reviews that concluded in 1980, 2005, 2011, and 2023.

2. Representative Stapp asked about the impact of the study on the hourly rate for JJC's.

	Juvenile Justice Counselor 1	Juvenile Justice Counselor 2	Juvenile Justice Counselor 3
Previous Range	11	13	15
Current Range	12	14	16
Previous Hourly Salary*	\$20.66	\$23.32	\$26.62
Current Hourly Salary*	\$21.89	\$24.87	\$28.57
Difference	\$1.23	\$1.55	\$1.95
*Using Salary Schedule for Anchorage at a Step A			

Let me know if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

Marian Sweet

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Assistant Commissioner