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From: Lisa Young <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2025 4:53 PM
To: Senate State Affairs
Subject: SB 35

In the discussion of SB 35, As independent contractors, Dashers are responsible for paying both the employer and employee portions of Social Security and Medicare taxes, known collectively as self-employment tax. This flexibility comes with a cost, just as a sole propriety business. These companies ethnically, legally, and contractually, this is a business-to-business relationship. So, in all actuality the drivers are responsible for their taxes and worker's compensation. They should not be treated any different than a Sole Propriety business. Please look at the legality of this issue.

Thank you for your time.

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From: William Hansen <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2025 11:49 AM
To: Senate State Affairs
Subject: Regarding SB 35

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Dear Senate State Affairs Committee -

I've been working with DoorDash on and off again since the COVID pandemic - it's a great way to earn some extra income to supplement my retirement without pulling too much from my savings. One of the main reasons I work with DoorDash is that I can work whenever I want and keep myself busy. It's a great way to earn money and I'm grateful the opportunity is available to me.

SB 35 would guarantee that we continue to be classified as independent contractors. This bill would protect Alaska workers and prevent us from being re-classified as employees where we would lose the flexibility and independence that draws us to this kind of work. The fact is, there is no one-size-fits-all model to the way we work in the modern economy.

I'm asking you to support SB 35 and listen to the thousands of Alaskans like me who depend on independent work. We do not want to have our ways of working changed against our will, and I urge you to stand up on our behalf and protect flexible workers like me throughout the state, thank you.

Sincerely,
Bill Hansen

