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Dear Representative Kipp and Representative McCabe,

Our home is located alongside the Alaska Railroad. We hope you will support House Bill 136 to require the Alaska Railroad to allow property owners the non-interferring use of their property which is subject to the track easement. Lawns, gardens, etc. Naturally if the railroad needs the easement for expansion some of that might have to go. This will be new section 415 in the railroad code. This provision is an extension of House Joint Resolution 38 from 2018.

Notwithstanding the recent 9th Circuit ruling regarding exclusive use easements transferred under ARTA, **HB 136 (attached) sets the state of Alaska's management policy for the railroad right of way, clarifying that a landowner may use property they own covered by a railroad easement when their activity does not interfere with railroad operations.**

Thank you.

Sincerely,
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