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To: [Senate Finance Committee](#)
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Good evening,

My name is Trisha Bower and I am writing in support of SB61 as a property owner and resident of Fairbanks. In my city, our property tax dollars go towards supporting the significant infrastructure that the Fairbanks North Star Borough has implemented to receive, store, and responsibly recycle our electronics. We have collection bins and community events, in addition to a Borough operated centrally located recycling facility. It is good that my city has listened to the residents and has taken a proactive stance on managing electronics and they have operated our central recycling facility for a long time, but there are many community and recycling priorities that are just as important that do not have adequate funding. In Fairbanks the burden of funding this facility falls to property owners. The FNSB is unable to fund all of the community priorities without raising our property taxes which is why it seems that it would make more sense to add Alaska to the list of States that require manufacturers to pay for the end of life recycling than to raise taxes for Alaskans. If it didn't work, more than half the States wouldn't already require this of manufacturers. This seems like a common sense solution which is why I am writing in support of SB61.

Thank you,
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