



April 27, 2018

To: The Honorable Lyman Hoffman
The Honorable Anna MacKinnon
The Honorable Click Bishop
The Honorable Peter Micciche
The Honorable Natasha von Imhof
The Honorable Donald Olson
The Honorable Gary Stevens

RE: HB233 Education Tax Credits Legislation

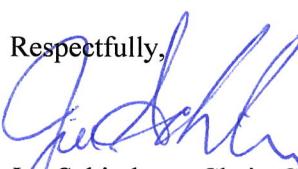
Dear Senators:

Northrim Bank supports extending the Alaska Education Tax Credit sunset from December 21, 2018 to January 1, 2025, repeal the decrease in dollar value and the narrowing in scope of the Alaska Education Tax Credits.

Northrim has contributed over \$5,000,000 in support of higher education in the state of Alaska (1996-2018) in connection with Education Tax Credits, with over \$1,000,000 in the past three years (\$300,000 in 2015, \$400,000 in 2016, and \$355,000 in 2017). We give to campuses in all communities where we have branches including Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, Mat-Su, Eagle River, Ketchikan and Sitka. Additionally, specific schools and institutes such as the University of Alaska Fairbanks, School of Management, the University of Alaska Anchorage, Institute of Social and Economic Research, as well as business fellows and scholarship recipients have benefited due to Northrim's investment in education.

We support HB233 as passed by the House which has the intent that the education tax credits remain as they appear in statute today until they are repealed in January 1, 2025.

Respectfully,


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