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Subject: Bill HB233 to Extend the ETC Program
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Hello Senators of the Finance Committee,

My name is Carrie Hallinan, and I am a junior studying Marine and Environmental Science at Alaska Pacific University. As indicated by the subject of this email, I am messaging you in regard to the passage of Bill HB233.

The Education Tax Credit has benefitted me personally, and should be given the chance to benefit the future fisheries science students and workers in the future. Without the financial support of this program I would not be able to study fisheries as I am now, and I firmly believe that all students in the future should be given the same opportunity. The deprive students of this program would be a disservice to the Alaskan science community. The proposed changes to the credit schedule will substantially reduce the efficacy of the program and risk losing millions in industry funding for education and research in Alaska fisheries.

Finally, the ETC is bringing millions of dollars into the Alaskan education system, and it would be harmful to students and researchers in Alaska to discontinue the program.

Thank you for taking the time to read this message, and I hope it has some bearing in your passage of the bill.

Carrie Hallinan