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Alaska Athletic Trainers Association
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Honorable Senator Meyer,

On behalf of the Alaska Athletic Trainers Association, I would like to thank you for the sponsorship of Senate Bill 119 for the licensure of athletic trainers in Alaska. We are honored to have your leadership in support of this important legislation.

The Alaska Athletic Trainers Association is requesting the licensure of athletic trainers in Alaska. Forty-seven states have some form of athletic training regulation verifying the knowledge, skills and abilities required for competent performance of athletic training. Senate Bill 119 works with the pending youth sports concussion legislation to provide comprehensive and high quality athletic training in Alaska.

You can see by the letters of support that this legislation has the support of many medical professionals such as physicians and physician's assistants. It is supported by athletic directors, coaches and school administrators.

The Alaska Athletic Trainers Association will dedicate the time and energy needed to make this a successful legislative process. Again, we thank you for your leadership role in our Senate Bill and your support of our licensing efforts.

Sincerely,

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President of the Alaska Athletic Trainers Association