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Subject: Request release of AIDEA 's financial report
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Dear Chairs and Members of the House and Senate State Affairs Committee,

I want to thank you for your diligent work as you move through the 34th Legislative Session. I greatly appreciate and respect the hard work you and your staff provide for Alaskans.

It is my understanding from the committee records from April 1 and 9 AIDEA, Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority, being an Alaska State Government agency, had a \$250,000 financial study done by Northern Economics.

Being a government agency it is essentially the people's money who paid for that financial document. My curiosity was piqued when AIDEA scuttled the release. It is my understanding AIDEA is withholding that document and asking for a revision by Northern Economics. The lack of transparency begs for immediate scrutiny by our joint State Affairs Committees.

The most important question is why would they choose to hide and have it revised? AIDEA, a government agency that serves the Alaskan people and reports to your committees is responsible for thorough, timely and accurate reports to the committees and the public. I would gather it is within your purview to demand AIDEA's immediate release Northern Economics' original study.

Because the legislature is nearing its 90 day end, I ask for immediate and due diligence in obtaining this document for the committees and the public. If it is not released in a timely manner, by next week, request it directly from Northern Economics.

Again, thank you for your work and dedication to the state of Alaska. Please keep me updated on this important matter.

Sincerely,
Laura Stats