

## Alaska

January 29, 2009

The Honorable Carl Gatto Alaska House of Representatives State Capitol Building Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

RE: House Bill 64

Dear Representative Gatto,

Members of the National Federation of Independent Business/Alaska have reviewed House Bill 64 and request that you consider making some changes to the bill. The National Federation of Independent Business is the largest small-business advocacy group in Alaska.

On page 3, lines 20 through 23, the bill prohibits any fees for handling the card. We suggest that the bill allow a service fee when it is turned over to the state as abandoned property. This requires added accounting and should be recognized as a legitimate expense.

We appreciate our consideration of our concerns this year and accommodating several of the concerns we raised previously.

Sincerely yours,

Dennis DéWitt State Director

Cc: House Labor & Commerce Committee