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The Honorable Kevin Meyer State Senate Alaska State Capitol Juneau, AK 99801-1182

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Dear Senator Meyer,

I am writing to you regarding Senate Bill 194, an act relating to civil damages for certain alcohol violations.

As you may know, one of Alaska CHARR's top legislative priorities is fighting underage drinking. We appreciate your efforts to increase the civil penalty for underage persons attempting to purchase alcohol to \$1,500.00. We believe this will encourage licensees to pursue the civil liability penalty making the penalty a stronger deterrent and sending a stronger message to underage persons that their criminal actions will not be taken lightly.

Alaska CHARR fully supports SB194, and would like to thank you for helping the hospitality industry send a stronger message to kids that attempting to buy alcohol is a serious offense.

Please let me know if I can be of additional assistance.

Dale G. Fox, CAE

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