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Honorable Pete Kelly and Honorable Kevin Meyer State Capitol Building Senate Finance, Room 532 Juneau, Alaska 99801

RE: HB193

Dear Senator Kelly and Senator Meyer,

On behalf of the Alaska Municipal League, I would like to offer our support of HB193.

We at the Alaska Municipal League believe that the passage of HB193 will benefit municipalities by helping with more effective oversight, enforcement and collection of commonly legally due taxes. This bill will promote greater cooperation and mutual information sharing between State and municipalities in Alaska, resulting in less occurrence of tax evasion by businesses and individuals.

HB193, if passed, will cause overall revenue realization by State and municipalities and more coordination of administration and enforcement of commonly assessed taxes. This will serve to notably reduce tax evasion which will promote a more competitive business environment and decrease tax subsidies caused by tax evaders.

The Alaska Municipal League strongly encourages passage of HB193.

Kathie Wasserman

Sincerely,

Kathie Wasserman

**Executive Director**