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Honorable Kurt Olson State Capitol Building Room 24 Juneau, Alaska 99801

RE: HB234

Dear Representative Olson,

On behalf of the Alaska Municipal League, I would like to offer our support of HB234.

We at the Alaska Municipal League believe that the Regulatory Commission of Alaska operates in the interest of the public by serving Alaskans in: assessing utility and pipeline companies' capabilities for safely serving the public; evaluating regulated entities' tariffs and charges; verifying charges passed through the consumers from electric and natural gas utilities; settling disputes between ratepayers and regulated entities; and providing consumer protection services.

We have often depended on help and information from the Commission, especially with regards to energy issues, with which we deal on a constant basis.

We whole-heartedly support the extension of the termination date of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska until June 30, 2022.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director