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Alaska State Legislature State Capitol Juneau, Alaska 99801

Honorable Members of the Alaska House of Representatives:

On behalf of our 590 members, the Alaska Society of CPA's would like to express our support of the changes proposed in HB 302. The repeal of AS 08.04.080 will allow notice of adoption of rules to be 30 days instead of the 60-days, in line with the Division guidelines.

Secondly, HB 302 will clarify current statutory language regarding the definition of the "practice of public accounting" by further defining the meaning of "client".

HB 302 will amend the definition of the "practice of public accounting" to mean only those accountants that truly practice "public" accounting, not those accountants who perform in-house professional services for a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other legal entity.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Amy Cooper, CPA

President, on behalf of the

Alaska Society of Public Accountants