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Senator Bert Stedman Senate Health and Social Services Committee State Capitol, Room 30 Juneau, Alaska 99801

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Dear Senator Stedman:

This is a letter in support of Senate Bill 113, which would protect physicians and hospitals for treating terminally ill patients with experimental medications that have passed the first stage of approval for the FDA.

I personally have not had to use this, but feel that if this is available it would make me more likely to pursue this more aggressively as I will know that there is protection from potential lawsuits, should something go wrong.

I hope you will find that this bill will be favorable for your support. I urge passage by your committee.

Thank you for your service.

Sincerely yours,

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