



March 10, 2016

The Honorable Representative Bob Lynn
House State Affairs Committee Chairman
Alaska House of Representatives
Alaska State Capitol, Room 108
Juneau AK, 99801

Re: Support of HB 351 – Adoption of Regs; Limitations; Void Regs

Representative Lynn:

The Alaska Chamber supports the current version of House Bill 351, an act relating to adoption of regulations.

The Chamber is an organization dedicated to improving the business environment in Alaska. The Chamber represents hundreds of businesses from Ketchikan to Barrow that share a common goal – to make Alaska a viable and competitive place to do business.

The Alaska Chamber supports public regulation and regulatory reforms that encourage responsible development of Alaska's communities and natural resources. Topping both the Chamber's state and federal lists of policy positions is an entire category of initiatives advocating for improved regulatory efficiency. The Chamber believes that reasonable, navigable regulatory processes are important to protect our citizens, communities and employer companies. The problem comes when public agencies overregulate. Regulatory enforcement and compliance can prove to be very costly, discouraging entrepreneurship and responsible resource development in our state.

The Alaska Chamber urges you to pass House Bill 351 from the House State Affairs Committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Curtis W. Thayer'.

Curtis W. Thayer
President and CEO

Thank you!

CC: Representative Lance Pruitt
Representative Wes Keller
Representative Louise Stutes
Representative Liz Vazquez
Representative Sam Kito
Representative Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins