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March 2, 2016

The Honorable Lance Pruitt State Capitol Building Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

RE: House Bill 351

Dear Representative Pruitt:

On behalf of the National Federation of Independent Business/Alaska, I wish to respectfully share our support for House Bill 351. The National Federation of Independent Business is the largest small-business advocacy group in Alaska.

House Bill 351 will help reduce the time and cost small businesses expend reacting to the ever-increasing number of regulations. Changing the common practice of expanding the regulations controlling Alaskans to a practice of evaluating the cost and limitation of regulatory agencies is laudable.

Unfortunately, far too many regulations are promulgated to extend the scope and power of regulatory agencies. They are proposed by individuals who never need to deal with the regulations from the perspective of small businesses competing in an increasingly challenging market place.

We applaud your addressing this growing problem for Alaska's small businesses.

Sincerely yours,

Dennis L. De Witt Alaska State Director

Cc: NFIB/AK Leadership Council

Bob Lynn, Chair, House State Affairs Committee