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Governor Bill Walker
STATE OF ALASKA

January 18, 2016

The Honorable Kevin Meyer
President of the Senate
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 111
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear President Meyer:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill adding the Commissioner of the Department of Military and Veterans Affairs to the membership of the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.

The purpose of the council is to provide for planning and coordination of services to victims of domestic violence or sexual assault or to their families and to perpetrators of domestic violence and sexual assault and to provide for crisis intervention and prevention programs. Since domestic violence pervades all sectors of our society, including our military forces, the input of a person with an understanding of the challenges those in the military face would assist the council's work. With this change, we will continue to work together to eliminate domestic violence and sexual assault in this state.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bill Walker".

Bill Walker
Governor

Enclosure