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Dear Chair and Members of the Senate Finance Committee:

Public broadcasting is the lifeline of Alaska. That is a literal statement when we consider ARCS and the more than 100,000 Alaskans who rely on public broadcasting for over-air service for emergencies. But it is a lifeline for those of us who live in Alaska's cities as well. It brings local, state, national and international information to our homes. It educates us, our children and grandchildren. It extends the happenings in our state capital throughout this vast state through GavelAlaska. It enriches all of our lives and informs us as citizens. It brings us reporters in the field; one of the few news outlets that has reporter all over the world

**. Alaska can't afford to be one of the few states that doesn't contribute to public broadcasting—our geography demands it.** Writing as a 45 yr resident of the state and super voter, we need our state government to support this vital service. I personally support public broadcasting financially and I expect nothing less of my state government.

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