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"An Act extending the termination date of the Alaska Commission on Aging; and providing for an effective date"

Sponsor Statement

Senate Bill 124 would extend the Alaska Commission on Aging for eight years, until June 30, 2024, based on the recommendations of the Legislative Auditor to the Legislative Budget and Audit Committee.

The recently completed audit found that the Alaska Commission on Aging is serving the public's interest by formulating and approving the comprehensive State Plan for Senior Services; advocating for older Alaskans; providing education programs; making recommendations to the legislature and the governor on legislation, appropriations, programs and services for seniors; and serving as a federally recognized advisory council to satisfy the requirement of the Older Americans Act. The Act allows Alaska to receive federal funding through the Federal DHHS Administration on Community Living.

Senate Bill 124 is widely supported by organizations across Alaska, including local municipalities, state entities, nonprofits, and private individuals. Thank you for your consideration of Senate Bill 124, and I ask you for your support in its passage.