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To: Senate Finance Committee; Rep. Adam Wool; Rep. David Guttenberg; Rep. David Talerico; Rep. Scott Kawasaki;

Rep. Steve Thompson; Rep. Tammie Wilson; Sen. Click Bishop; Sen. John Coghill; Sen. Pete Kelly

Subject: Comments/Pierce

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Public Opinion Message from Fairbanks area resident.

Comments submitted to Fairbanks LIO via telephone on 3/30/2016

Mr. Pierce has requested return correspondence from his legislators.

To:

Senate Finance Committee Interior Delegation Members

From:
John Pierce
House District 2
455-8120

Subject: SB 210 and other pieces of new legislation

I am a senior citizen. I am 66 yrs old. I am on a limited income. The senior property tax exemption is vitally important to me. Keeping the taxes down is essential in allowing me to avoid losing my house!

I don't see how the state can give money to the University, a land grant university by the way, while the people are taking on a tax burden. Then university should develop their resources and be self-sufficient. The same goes for mental health trust. They are a land grant trust and resource rich. The state has already provided the university and mental health trust with an opportunity to earn revenue. Neither organization should be receiving \$1.

I have been here since statehood, since 1959 and I don't want to lose my home because of new tax burdens and the state looking to raise funds from citizens instead of its resources.

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