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April 20, 2016

An Open Letter to Alaska's Legislature

This is a time of great turmoil, great difficulty, and a time of great sacrifice. This is a time when true leadership is indispensable. Our state faces great financial trouble. Short term solutions that compromise our long term fiscal health are very tempting, **but we must not take that road!**

Tax credits to developers of our State's North Slope resources are a tried and true investment that produce revenue to our State in our future. I am not writing to address Cook Inlet tax credits.

The pipeline (TAPS) is approximately $\frac{1}{4}$ full. It used to be full. All Alaskans have benefited from our State's vast oil reserves when they have been converted to revenue by the oil companies; big and small.

But we face a perilous future.

The oil decline in TAPS must be stopped and better yet, reversed. If it isn't, the difficulties we face now will pale in comparison to what we will face in our future. Our State Government is dependent upon the revenues we receive when our oil is converted to revenue by oil companies; big and small.

The small oil companies need financing to convert our oil reserves into revenue. We split the financial gains with approximately $\frac{2}{3}$ going to our State & Federal Government and $\frac{1}{3}$ going to the oil companies. That is a great investment! Tax credits are used as guaranteed returns to help the small oil companies receive financing from out of state banks. This sends money into our State to convert the oil reserves we own into revenue for our State.

Fiscal year 2015 data for the North Slope shows a total "Government Take" of approximately \$2.2 Billion dollars, while spending \$0.2 Billion (\$224 Million) dollars in credits. (source: *analytica*. See attached)

The tax credits we provide are an investment that provides revenue to our State for many decades.

Our oil reserves have provided the revenue our State Government has used to help our local communities:

- maintain roads and airports
- build water systems for safe drinking water
- build wastewater collection and treatment systems to protect our health
- assist with funding our schools
- build new schools
- provide health and social services to Alaskans in need
- build and renovate our harbors
- reduce the cost of heating oil and electricity where it is very high

and other great programs.

We have built great university and vocational training and then we have assisted our children in attending these schools and other post secondary education with loans and other State programs.

All of this is at great risk if we fail to continue converting our oil resources into revenues.

Tax credits work! Small oil companies have a track record in both finding and developing our oil reserves as well as taking older developments that bigger companies have developed and re-working them to produce more oil.

However, we need tax credits to work for all oil companies, big and small. We have much more oil that has not been developed into revenue. We need to invest in the development of this oil to secure a bright future for Alaska. Tax credits do that. They are an investment in our future.

These are the "Jay Hammond" days again. By that I mean decisions face Alaska's leaders that can provide another 30-40 years of prosperity for our State. But to do that sacrifices have to be made as they did then through Gov. Hammond and the Alaska Legislature's leadership.

We each individually, and together, have to make concessions to provide a bright future for our children.

Let's come together to do this. **Leave North Slope tax credits alone.** They work for our future; both individually and collectively.

Thank you for your time. Make good decisions.

Mark Morris

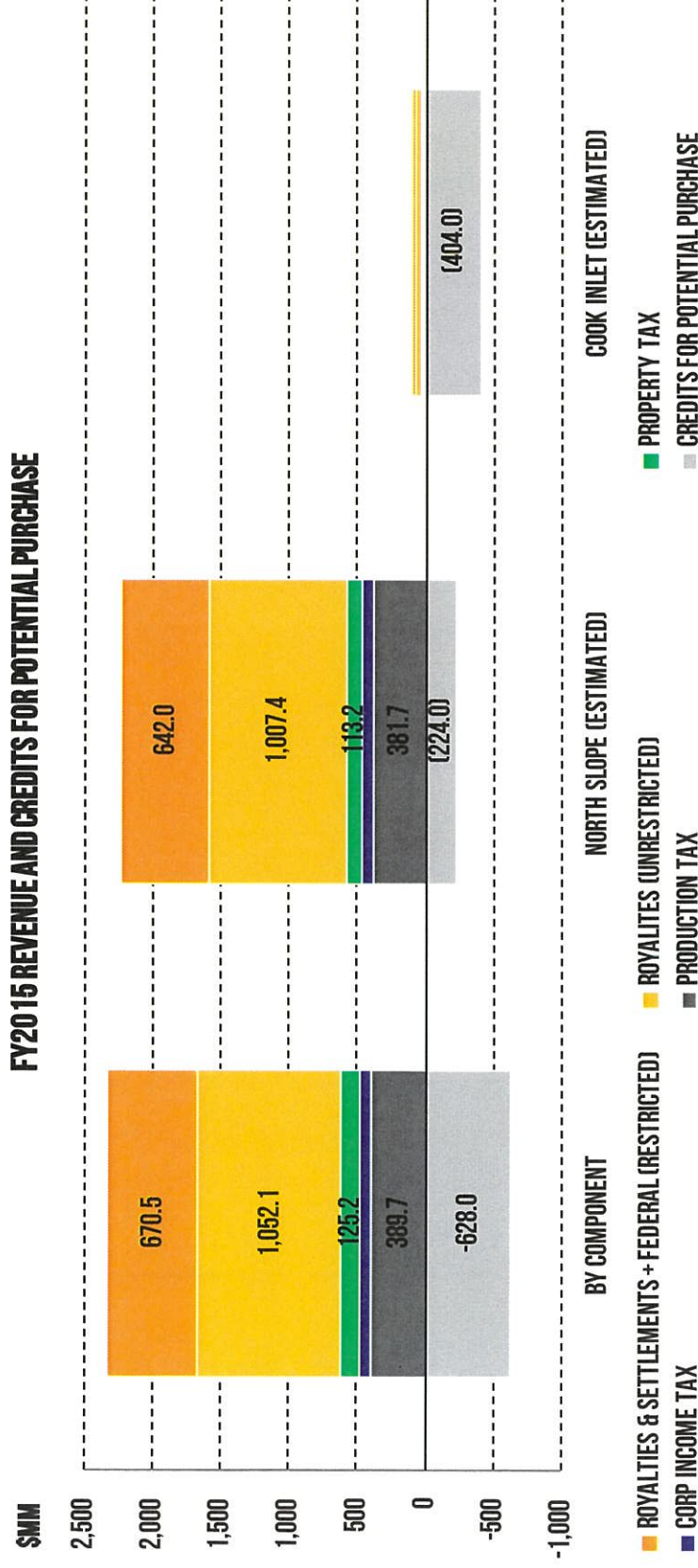
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark Morris', with a stylized, cursive script.

BIG DIFFERENCE BETWEEN NORTH SLOPE AND COOK INLET

The majority of refundable credits go to Cook Inlet producers

Cook Inlet production, however, generates limited direct revenue for the state

Credits on the North Slope are more limited but also a far smaller fraction of total value generated



SOURCE: ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, REVENUE SOURCES BOOK; TAX DIVISION; ANALYTICA ESTIMATES

Debra Higgins

From: Bob French <bgtkfrench@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 12:46 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson; Rep. Kurt Olson; Rep. Mike Chenault; Rep. Mike Hawker; Rep. Bob Herron; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins; Rep. Chris Tuck; Rep. Charisse Millett
Subject: Written testimony on HB247

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Thanks for taking my written testimony on HB247, I cannot testify in person due to work obligations. I would appreciate it if this testimony can be entered into the public record.

All of the economists who have testified before the legislature have had one common statement. It is not possible to balance the budget using cuts alone. There is a need for new revenue.

However, one of biggest cuts that has not yet been made is to the Oil Tax Credits, which amounts to welfare for the most profitable Corporations on the planet. Alaska simply cannot afford to keep paying \$775 million in Tax Credit cash payments and another \$135 million in non-cash subsidies, while getting only \$54 million in Production Taxes.

For new revenues, I support raising the 4% emergency tax on oil, and most importantly, making it apply to all fields. The 4% needs to gradually rise with higher oil prices, replacing the flat rate up through \$76/barrel currently in place.

We need to eliminate exemptions for “new” oil and for “net operating loss” or “lease expenditures”. I support Gov. Walkers 5% minimum tax with zero deductions, and it needs to happen immediately, not in 2020.

The Oil companies need to be transparent about their accounting. IF there are deductions allowed (and I don’t think there should be any deductions), all of the details of those deductions need to be made public. In school, you have to show your work, not just give an answer! No credits without full disclosure!

Any accounting for credits or deductions need to be done on a monthly basis, not on a yearly basis that doesn’t account for averaging highly differing costs and revenues.

One change that the Legislature needs to do, would bring both spending cuts and new revenue by completely halt spending on the four biggest Boondoggle Mega Projects, the Knik Arm Bridge, the Juneau road, the Susitna Dam, and the Ambler Road. Alaska simply does not have the \$7.83 Billion dollars currently estimated as needed to complete those projects, not to mention the billions more in likely cost over-runs.

In addition to cutting the continued wasteful spending on projects that we cannot afford, the Legislature has the opportunity to "Clawback" \$263 million in un-spent allocated funds for just those 4 projects. That is more than double the Governor's proposed new taxes.

I also support new statewide sales taxes. It takes the least new state bureaucracy to implement, can be structured progressively by excluding groceries, medicine and clothing, and it is also possible for low income households to get a sales tax refund at the end of the year.

Bob French, 907-240-1744

Robert Ervine

From: Rachel Irons <rachelirons@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 4:58 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Sincerely,

Rachel Irons
17053 Aries Ct.
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Robert Ervine

From: Patricia Abney <Paabney@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:01 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Patricia Abney
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From: Danny Carpenter <ambergris905@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:04 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sincerely,

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Cordova, AK 99574
907 424 5135

Robert Ervine

From: David Bryan <rramjet00@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:05 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sincerely,

David Bryan
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Carmel, NY 10512

Robert Ervine

From: Kathy Smith <splinter@xyz.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:07 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sincerely,

Kathy Smith
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Homer, AK 99603
9072355523

Robert Ervine

From: Brett Randolph <brettr@alaska.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:11 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Sincerely,

Brett Randolph
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Kodiak, AK 99615
907-486-0266

Robert Ervine

From: Lori Stephens <cleanecaffeine@earthlink.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:14 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sincerely,

Lori Stephens
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Homer, AK 99603
907-230-9160

Robert Ervine

From: Jill Wittenbrader <jillwitt@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:14 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sincerely,

Jill Wittenbrader
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Kodiak, AK 99615
(907) 486-1004

Robert Ervine

From: Malena Marvin <malena.marvin@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:17 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

Dear Legislator,

Alaskans are watching you closely right now and we are gathering power and momentum to elect candidates who will prioritize people over oil & gas corporations. Please do the right thing for our state and prioritize the the people of this state!

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Sincerely,

Malena Marvin
PO Box 1611
Petersburg, AK 99833

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Robert Ervine

From: Angela Ferrari <ferrariangela@ymail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:18 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sincerely,

Angela Ferrari
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Robert Ervine

From: Jan Bronson <bronson@gci.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:19 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Oil and Gas Tax Credit reform,

Dear Representative Claman and Senator Costello,

I support the original version of HB 247.

I had lunch with a couple of bright young people today, one a recent UAA graduate and another a UAA student. We talked about the budget hits to UAA these past couple of years, and how those hits affected them. The UA system is where we need to be putting money to invest in our future, not into overly-generous subsidies for the oil and gas industry.

Please reform the oil and gas tax system this spring, so that you can move on to other budget issues.

Sincerely,
Jan Bronson

Jan Bronson
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Robert Ervine

From: John Jensen <norwejohn@gci.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:20 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Alaska cannot afford excessive tax credits.

Dear Legislator,

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If this looks like a form letter, it mostly is but I could not say it better. The oil industry (and Alaskans) know that the price of oil can and does go up and down so the industry should be prepared for that. We should not have to cover them during periods of low prices.

Sincerely, John T. Jensen

John Jensen
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Robert Ervine

From: Phillip C Petrie <ak_nomad@icloud.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:22 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Current Version of Oil Tax Bill

The Rules Committee bill is still far from acceptable to Alaskans. You continue to be more concerned for the welfare and profits of the oil and gas companies than Alaskans. No credits! No carry forward of losses and no payments to the companies. 4% minimum Tax imposed on every barrel of oil effective the end of the session!

Sent from my iPhone

Robert Ervine

From: Audrey Elicerio <wolfclan444@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:25 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Audrey Elicerio
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Fairbanks, AK 99712
9075476532

Robert Ervine

From: Cheryl Rykaczewski <cherylrski@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:28 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: I support the original HB 247

Dear Legislator,

Please pass the original version of HB 247. I feel that Gov. Walker's version of the bill will bring the much needed reform to our oil and gas taxation system. Alaska's fiscal future depend on your actions today.

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Robert Ervine

From: Christin Anderson <ceanderson5@alaska.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:29 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: No oil & gas tax credits!

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Dear Legislator,

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Debra Higgins

From: Dolma family <dolma@ptialaska.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:36 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Please, please , please reform the oil and gas tax!

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From: Noel Nelson <steveandnoel@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:38 PM
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From: Betty Whittenberg <Betf@alaska.net>
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Sincerely,

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Robert Ervine

From: Jessica Girard <girard@northern.org>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:45 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson; Rep. Mike Chenault; Rep. Charisse Millett; Rep. Chris Tuck; Rep. Mike Hawker; Rep. Bob Herron; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins
Subject: SB 247

Good evening,

I am writing to testify, on behalf of myself to support the original SB 247. It is fiscally and environmentally irresponsible to pay industry to extract our resources, warming our state. There is no empirical evidence that tax credits incentive development. In fact, factors outside of our control, including global markets and agreements, drive developer production decisions.

Additionally, there has not been a single proposal which address our deficit as greatly as the original SB 247 bill. Alaska must diverse our extractive economy and transition to our untapped renewable potential.

Alaska stands at a crossroads: we can embrace opportunities to implement a bold vision of sustainable development that helps close the State's growing inequality divide. Or it can choose the road well traveled, the corporate-led business-as-usual development strategies.

I encourage this legislator to pass SB 247 in its original form so we, as a state, can implement solutions rather than continuously kneeling to the oil industry.

With hope,
Jessica Girard
Fairbanks

Robert Ervine

From: Christin Anderson <ceanderson5@alaska.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:46 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson; Rep. Kurt Olson; Rep. Mike Chenault; Rep. Charisse Millett; Rep. Chris Tuck; Rep. Mike Hawker; Rep. Bob Herron; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins
Subject: Stop the oil subsidies

Dear Legislator,

I voted yes on ballot measure 1 in 2014, and would like to again. Please stop giving away money to oil companies, especially now when the state is cutting education and other vital services for Alaskans. Pass HB 247.

Thank you,

Christin Anderson
UAF class of 2016

Robert Ervine

From: Eric Schaetzle <cheirios@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:52 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: HB 247 testimony

Good afternoon, thank you for taking my call. My name is Eric Schaetzle, I am a lifelong Alaskan and I am representing myself and my family.

Tax credits are currently unaffordable, globally disproportional, and there is no strong empirical proof that tax credits to oil and gas companies incentivize investment in Alaska. Instead, companies invest based mostly on oil prices, the quality of oil reserves, and the safety and stability of the place they operate.

We cannot continue to subsidize the pollution of the commons. Instead we should be supporting investment in education, community infrastructure, and the many industries based on a sustainable use of our natural resources (fisheries, timber, agriculture, etc)... all the more so given the unprecedented rate of climate change caused by fossil fuel use and the costs ISER estimates that will impose on our state. Eight years ago Vice Adm. Dennis V. McGinn said that "Economic prosperity, our environment and national security are inextricably linked," and that remains as true today as it was then.

-The newly written version of HB247 is no way to address a \$4 billion deficit. We need to pass the original version.

-No other place in the world allows such huge tax credit subsidies, in comparison to the oil revenue they receive.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. [I apologize for not being able to remain on the teleconference long enough to be able to deliver this verbally.]

Robert Ervine

From: anissa berry <backlagoon@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:58 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Debra Higgins

From: JeffappleBenowitz <jbenowitz@alaska.edu>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 5:58 AM
To: Rep. Andy Josephson; Rep. Tammie Wilson; Rep. Adam Wool; Rep. David Guttenberg; Rep. Jim Colver; Rep. Les Gara; Rep. Liz Vazquez; Sen. Pete Kelly; Sen. Click Bishop; Sen. Anna MacKinnon; John Davies; Sen. Johnny Ellis; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. John Coghill; Sen. Mike Dunleavy; Sen. Donny Olson; Sen. Lyman Hoffman; Sen. Peter Micciche; Joanna Young; Anna Liljedahl; Rep. Lynn Gattis; Rep. Scott Kawasaki; Sen. Kevin Meyer; Sen. Berta Gardner; Sen. Dennis Egan; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Lesil McGuire; Sen. Bill Wielechowski; Sen. Bert Stedman; Sen. Bill Stoltze; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. Mia Costello; Rep. Mike Chenault; Rep. Charisse Millett; Kailyn Davis; Patrick Terhune; Rep. Chris Tuck; Rep. Harriet Drummond; Rep. Matt Claman; Rep. Lynn Gattis; Rep. Neal Foster; Rep. Bryce Edgmon; Rep. Mike Hawker; Rep. Bob Herron; Rep. Craig Johnson; Rep. Shelley Hughes; Rep. Gabrielle LeDoux; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins; Rep. Sam Kito; Rep. Wes Keller; Rep. Benjamin Nageak; Rep. Cathy Munoz; Chris Christensen; Rep. Bob Lynn; Rep. Lance Pruitt; Rep. Daniel Ortiz; Rep. Kurt Olson; Rep. Mark Neuman; Rep. Ivy Spohnholz; Rep. Paul Seaton; Rep. Dan Saddler; Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. Steve Thompson; Rep. Geran Tarr; Rep. David Talerico; Rep. Louise Stutes; Rep. Cathy Tilton; Lillian Anderson-Misel
Subject: House Bill 247 Testimony

Dear State Legislators,

House Bill 247 is a gallant, but failed effort, to rewrite a wrong.

We need to tax the State oil industry fairly and that needs to happen now, not in 4 years. Please pass the Governors oil tax reform proposal to help the State of Alaska and the Oil Industry have a fair market economy.

thnx for serving,

Jeff apple B.

Robert Ervine

From: hydrojohn@gmail.com
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 6:04 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson; Rep. Mike Chenault; Rep. Charisse Millett; Rep. Chris Tuck; Rep. Mike Hawker; Rep. Bob Herron; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins; Rep. Kurt Olson
Subject: Violating the Constitution

Current oil subsidies and incentives have proved ineffective and costly, and violate the State Constitutions' mandate to develop our resources to maximize the benefits to Alaskans.

Redirect oil subsidies to the Watana Dam so that Alaskans can truly be energy independent, and get away from oil and coal dependence.

Dam design and construction will softened the depression the Legislature has initiated, by creating jobs and revenue for Alaska residents and businesses.

We must get away from our total reliance on one industry supporting almost all our services.

Robert Ervine

From: Deb Jameson <jamesondeb@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 6:07 PM
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From: Lydia Garvey <wolfhowlmama@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 6:09 PM
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From: Bradley Kloeckl <bkloeckl@yahoo.com>
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Robert Ervine

From: Cathy Teich <cathyt@mtaonline.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 6:16 PM
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Robert Ervine

From: C Jay Levine <tmanffan@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 6:19 PM
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C Jay Levine
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Robert Ervine

From: Lynn Wilbur <kalei.lw@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 6:24 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sincerely,

Gregory Fries
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Homer, AK 99603
9072991624

Robert Ervine

From: Patty Daugharty <pdakfam@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 6:40 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Patty Daugharty
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Eagle River, AK 99578

Robert Ervine

From: Teresa Lowrey <Teresa_lowrey@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 6:49 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sincerely,

Teresa Lowrey
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Pedro bay, AK 99647
9074448780

Robert Ervine

From: Allie Tennant <allietennant@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 6:50 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Sincerely,

Allie Tennant
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Ft Myers, FL 33905

Robert Ervine

From: Greg and Carole Demers <gdemers@horizonsatellite.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 6:51 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Sincerely,
Greg and Carole Demers
Anchor Point

Greg and Carole Demers
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Homer, AK 99603
9072358938

Robert Ervine

From: Terry Erikainen <erikainen@gci.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 7:11 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Sincerely,

Terry Erikainen
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Anchorage, AK 99523
(907) 346-1756

Robert Ervine

From: Lee Holen <lhlo@alaska.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 7:26 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Make oil tax reform a priority!

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Lee Holen
1419 W. 13th Ave
Anchorage, AK 99501
9072587813

Robert Ervine

From: Tyson Hewitt <Aldermonkey@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 7:41 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sincerely,

Tyson Hewitt
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Apt B
Anchorage, AK 99508
907-225-2839

Robert Ervine

From: Royann Royer <rroyer@mtaonline.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 7:56 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Sincerely,

Royann Royer
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ChugiakChugiak, AK 99567
9076883114

Robert Ervine

From: Steve Bentley <bntlstv@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 8:19 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Steve Bentley
2850 Pelican Dr
Anchorage, AK 99502

Robert Ervine

From: Anthony Larson <anthonyklarson@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 8:24 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Anthony Larson
3918 Wesleyan Drive
Anchorage, AK 99508
9073501517

Robert Ervine

From: Maynard Tapp <mayn@gci.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 8:24 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson; Rep. Kurt Olson; Rep. Mike Chenault; Rep. Mike Hawker; Rep. Bob Herron; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins; Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins; Rep. Chris Tuck; Rep. Charisse Millett; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Kevin Meyer
Subject: HB 247 and HB 379

The Honorable Representative Craig Johnson and the House Rules Committee.

Dear Representatives;

Please do not pass any bill that will make it more expensive to develop new oil resources for production and thereby oil tax revenues.

Also, please don't destabilize the relationships with our revenue partners, the oil and gas producers.

Please don't do anything that makes the state appear to be an unreliable partner in a contract or agreement. Don't break our word.

Honorable Alaskan's honor their contracts and/or agreements.

Also, please pass HB 379. This bill allows all Alaskan state employees to share in the pain of a declining oil price. I am a partner in a small Alaskan business. We are projecting a 50% decrease in our Net Revenues in 2016. My company Hawk Consultants, LLC has been asked by our client's to reduce head count and reduce our contracted rates (including Alaskan employee salaries) by 15%.

If I am not mistaken the savings projected from forestalling the pay increases would save approximately \$75 million dollars.

At least as Alaskan's in the private industry and brother and sister State employees we would all share the pain of the low oil prices.

I think this is fare as we all take from the same source..... oil & gas company revenues.

Thank-you for all your hard work, your time and consideration.

Regards,

Maynard Tapp

200 W 34th Ave, #809

Anchorage, AK - 99503

Robert Ervine

From: Sheri Thomson <sheri1969@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 8:32 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sheri Thomson
335 N Valley Way
Palmer, AK 99645
(907)982-2692

Robert Ervine

From: Michael Thompson <mjtrangermike@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 8:33 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Michael Thompson
P O Box 296
883
Yakutat, AK 99689
9077843856

Robert Ervine

From: Charlene Arneson <carneson2004@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 8:37 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Charlene Arneson
Harbor B8
Whittier, AK 99693
9072297425

Robert Ervine

From: Debby Burwen <dlburwen@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 8:42 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Debby Burwen
1133 M Court
Anchorage, AK 99501
9072772868

Robert Ervine

From: Lance Trasky <trasky@gci.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 8:46 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Lance Trasky
3941 Truro Drive
Anchorage, AK 99507
907-344-4220

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Steven Bergt
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Anchorage, AK 99517
(907) 727-0767

Robert Ervine

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Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 8:54 PM
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Sincerely,

Amanda Piatt
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Girdwood, AK 99587
9079479800

Robert Ervine

From: Nick Hamming <nickhamming@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 8:55 PM
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Sincerely,

Nick Hamming
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Girdwood, AK 99587

Robert Ervine

From: Nick Moe <Moe.nickolas@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 9:22 PM
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Sincerely,

Nick Moe
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Anchorage, AK 99503
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Robert Ervine

From: Stuart Scudder <rusty.scudder@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 9:25 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sincerely,

Stuart Scudder
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Juneau, AK 99801
9079570900

Robert Ervine

From: Lance Smith <Clancesmithak@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 9:31 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sincerely,

Lance Smith
Carriage DR.
Anchorage, AK 99507
9072307805

Robert Ervine

From: Christina Stauffer <mountainlady@alaskan.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 9:42 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sincerely,

Christina Stauffer
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Seward, AK 99664
9072243340

Robert Ervine

From: A D Granger <grangerad@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 9:52 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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837 Amanita Rd. Fairbanks
Fairbanks, AK 99712
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Robert Ervine

From: Jennifer Armstrong <aerinndis7@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 9:56 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sincerely,

Jennifer Armstrong
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North Pole, AK 99705
9074886577

Robert Ervine

From: Gibsons <gibsons@alaska.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 9:56 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Please share this wiyh your fellow Rules Committee members

Hello Rules Committee members,

I am disappointed in the weak attempt to diminish the subsidies to the oil and gas industry. I feel this is threatening to the State's successful avoidance of a recession. Governor Walker's original expression of a path out of this financial swamp is a more even-handed pattern for revenue/expenditure balance both near and long term. CS for HB247 makes very modest changes to the near and further 3/4 billion dollar drains on the State created by the tax credits.

We are late in the session, and relatively little has been accomplished. I do not understand the reasoning that prevents the House from also working on the revenue side of the budget (I favor the 15% income tax). It seems disingenuous to say that you must first find out how much you are short before you judge how much revenue needs to be found. We need a lot, and we will still come up short.

Please maintain a balance and work with some urgency. Godspeed your efforts. Steve Gibson

Robert Ervine

From: Judith Hannig <jhannig@gci.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 10:20 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Judith Hannig
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North Pole, AK 99705
907-385-0215

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From: Shoshanah Stone <Shanah.stone@gci.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 10:54 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Shoshanah Stone
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Anchorage, AK 99501
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From: Kimberly McConkey <tuffykim@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 11:06 PM
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Kimberly McConkey
2610 E 42nd ave apt 1
Anchorage, AK 99508
907 569 5466

Robert Ervine

From: Sherrell Holtshouser <Sherrellholtshouser@alaska.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 11:11 PM
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Sherrell Holtshouser
2820 Spinnaker drive
Anchorage, AK 99516

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From: Marylynn Clyne <denicesherrill@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 11:11 PM
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Sincerely,

Marylynn Clyne
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Himer, AK 99693
9972356264

Robert Ervine

From: Mitzi Bolanos <mitzi.bolanos@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 11:24 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Mitzi Bolanos
6961 Crawford Street
Anchorage, AK 99502
3056077937

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From: Della Coburn <Illskidy54@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2016 11:56 PM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Della Coburn
#2 Young Street
Kasaan, AK 99950
907-542-2207

Robert Ervine

From: MARY TURNER <mlaketur@usa.net>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 4:50 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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MARY TURNER
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ANCHORAGE, AK 99501

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Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 5:07 AM
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Sincerely,

garth walker
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Juneau, MS 39564
4109485939

Robert Ervine

From: Arlene Ronda <jaronda51@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 6:12 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Oil and gas tax bills

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I fully support Rep. Seaton's approach.

Sent from my iPhone

Robert Ervine

From: Lawrence Quintal <lquint1@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 6:23 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sincerely,

Lawrence Quintal
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Houston, AK 99623
9078924929

Robert Ervine

From: Pepper Pfiester <Pfiester.patricia@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 7:44 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Sincerely,

Pepper Pfiester
204 Main St.
P.O.Box 8148
Port Alexander, AK 99836
9075682208

Robert Ervine

From: Wendy Anderson <Aksk8wmn@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 7:48 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Don't let Oil Companies talk you out of oil and gas tax reform!

Dear Legislator,

If we are to believe there is a fiscal crisis in Alaska, then you must take actions consistent with a crisis. Such action includes reforming the current oil and gas tax system. Before you give in to oil company arguments about their need for tax credits, I suggest you take a look at the salaries of their top management people. If money is so critical for these companies, let them reduce top management salaries and put that money toward exploration. What sort of predictability will the oil companies have once Alaska becomes fiscally insolvent? Please fix this in favor of Alaska. Also:

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Sincerely,

Wendy Anderson
PO Box 1977
Homer, AK 99603

Robert Ervine

From: Dorothy E. Cuadra <cuadra@gci.net>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 7:52 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Sincerely,

Dorothy E. Cuadra
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Juneau, AK 99803
907-789-2084

Robert Ervine

From: Paula Sayler <sayler.paula@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 7:54 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Sincerely,

Paula Sayler
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Anchorage, AK 99508
9073378630

Robert Ervine

From: Mike Flora <jflora@xyz.net>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 8:09 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Sincerely,

Mike Flora
34710 Moonrise St
Homer, AK 99603
907 235 6437

Robert Ervine

From: Karl Monetti <karlmonetti@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 8:55 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Sincerely,

Karl Monetti
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North Pole, AK 99705
907-322-0242

Robert Ervine

From: James Cobb <Retriever.environmental@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 8:57 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
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Sincerely,

James Cobb
Horizon court
Homer, AK 99603
907-299-4767

Robert Ervine

From: John s. Sonin <sojohn61@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 9:32 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

Dear Legislator,

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[I may have failed to mention this in front of the 247 Committee yesterday but, by applying my Dividend distribution directly into Education funding, the future Legislature may have acquired the grammar school tutorial to correctly remember the pronunciation rule that, "when one vowel follows another in any word, the first vowel is pronounced long," So(e)nin!]

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John s. Sonin
329 Fifth Street
#1
Juneau, AK 99801

Robert Ervine

From: Martha Raynolds <martharaynolds@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 9:34 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: No oil subsidies

Dear Legislator,

One of the pieces of a sustainable budget is cutting subsidies. We should not be subsidizing the oil industry, or any fossil fuel industry that is contributing to climate change.

Sincerely,
Martha Raynolds

Martha Raynolds
1819 Muskox Trail
Fairbanks, AK 99709
9074793726

My name is David Hanger, and my testimony is in support of the passage of HB247, to wit significant reductions to prospective tax credits to the oil companies. As a tax accountant with 40 years in the field as a licensed practitioner, preparing tax returns for Alaskans and Alaska businesses, I could chuckle at the avarice of the oil companies were the consequences to Alaskans not so dire. For this bunch of cretins to repeatedly assert that they are "awash in red ink," when in fact on their Alaska operations they are profiting incredibly, is demeaning and insulting to all Alaskans.

For 2014 and 2015 the actual net profit of the oil companies on Alaska oil only is between \$14 and \$18 billion. Based on current estimates of oil prices in the \$40 range for 2016 the net profits the oil companies will earn in 2016 on Alaska oil only will be \$2.8 billion to \$4 billion. Those numbers are net profits.

Where do you think they got all the money to buy all that fancy new equipment that in part generated all of these credits??? They did not pick it off a cherry tree. Their speculations in other parts of the world are not providing the resources to buy this new equipment, but instead are providing net operating losses that generate more tax credits. It is the excessive profits on Alaska oil, i.e. our money, which is being used to rip us off. Eliminating these credits is the tip of the iceberg of what needs to be done.

No Alaska oil company or any other business or individual, for that matter, should be allowed to raid the state treasury as an adjunct to the stealing of our oil. Pass HB247, then eliminate the "worldwide apportionment" method of accounting, and you will realize how much these oil companies are profiting on our oil.

Robert Ervine

From: Mark Beaudin <beaudins@gci.net>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 9:52 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

I know that I cannot trust you to act in the best interest of ordinary Alaskans, but I am sending this anyway. You folks are, for the most part, disgusting. You are like spoiled kids with a major sense of entitlement and no sense of duty. You want your pretty new office building, but have no regard for our kids or our future. I usually look at all candidates and try to make the best of my limited choices, but with your caucus politics you have made my choices easier. I will NEVER vote Republican again!

Mark Beaudin

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Mark Beaudin
6880 Burlwood Drive

Anchorage, AK 99507
9075229191

Robert Ervine

From: Lo Karrick <splitinfinity69@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 9:56 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Change the oil & gas tax credit system to Alaska's benefit, not the oil companies!

Dear Legislator,

Please pass reform to our oil and gas tax credit system this spring in which Alaska actually benefits. We should not have to pay for out of state, out of country companies to make record profits from OUR OIL!

We can't afford to continue paying these credits. How can you ask Alaskans to pay new taxes, allow you to ravage the PFD, or take cuts in public services, or education if you are just going to throw that money at the oil & gas companies who are making profits off Alaska already?

No oil company is going to ignore the oil we have. They will want to squeeze every drop out of our state they can.

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Oil and gas companies should bear their own "cost of doing business", no money from Alaskan citizens should go to oil and gas companies to compensate them for their business losses. The state doesn't give money to the mom & pop corner business if they have a low return year. Why does a big corporation have more rights than Alaskan citizens?

At least pass the original version of HB 247 and we will have a path to a durable fiscal plan for Alaska. Or make a better one for Alaska. If you pass a weak version of HB 247 it could be overturned by voters or by a subsequent legislature, continuing this cycle of instability. Make good laws that there is no doubt to benefit Alaska.

We have our own needs in this state, as you are aware. Please fix the oil and gas credit system, so we can move on toward actual fiscal solutions.

Sincerely,
A person who votes every year.

Lo Karrick
2959 Totem Drive
Fairbanks, AK 99709
9076870226

Robert Ervine

From: Joan Clover <joniclover@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 10:45 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Joan Clover
3961 McMahan Ave
Anchorage, AK 99516
9073450035

Robert Ervine

From: Brenda Ambrose <be_ambrose@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 12, 2016 11:20 AM
To: Rep. Craig Johnson
Subject: Reform our oil & gas tax credit system!

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Brenda Ambrose
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Ruby, AK 99768
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