

ALASKA

January 30, 2015

The Honorable Anna MacKinnon State Capitol Building Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

RE: Senate Bill 6

Dear Senator MacKinnon:

On behalf of the National Federation of Independent Business/Alaska, I wish to respectfully share our support for Senate Bill 6 that eliminates daylight savings time in Alaska. The National Federation of Independent Business is the largest small-business advocacy group in Alaska.

In our 2010 member ballot, NFIB/AK members voted overwhelmingly that Daylight savings time should be eliminated in Alaska. The members have not since changed their minds. We believe its original purpose is long past and it has no current value. The change from five to two time zones in Alaska's northern latitude has created a situation where changing time in the spring and fall makes little sense. Thus, while it may be a nice idea elsewhere, it is a cumbersome activity that provides no real value to Alaskans.

Sincerely yours,

Dennis L. DeWitt Alaska State Director

Cc: Senate State Affairs Committee NFIB/AK Leadership Council