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**Subject:** Qualifications Based Selection for professional design services

I know you are all very busy right now, but I wanted to let you know how important HB 50 is to me and my fellow design professionals in Alaska. Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) of designers is a basic requirement in Federal and State contracting and HB passes this important tool down to the various recipients of State grants.

There are volumes of research literature which conclude that QBS consistently provides the best value to all concerned by giving the government clients the lowest over all cost on a project. Cost based selection of designers consistently results in designs which are less efficient in conserving construction costs and/or result in significantly increasing the frequency of change orders, either with the designer or the contractor or both.

I have known and professionally worked with Representative Kito for over twenty years (maybe more) and have always known him to be the consummate professional engineer. I hope you will support him in getting this important piece of legislation passed in this session.

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