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To the members of the House Resources Committee

Thank you for reading these comments on Toxic-Free Firefighter and Children Act (HB 27). I urge you to pass this bill which will help create healthy Alaskan communities free of exposures to toxic flame retardants. The dangerous chemical are shed from furniture and other items, then remain in our houses.

We can phase out classes of harmful chemicals and thus avoid interfering with our children's futures. The bill is specific to chemicals containing an organohalogenated flame retardant, organophosphorous flame 21 retardant, organonitrogen flame retardant, or nanoscale material-based flame retardant. There are known risks when people are exposed to these chemicals.

Yes, I am repeating myself, as this issue has concerned me for several years. I recall that someone appeared before another session and was saying what the chemical manufacturers wanted him to say. (That was David Heimbach who surrendered his Washington state medical license when his testimony was discredited).

We need to regulate the sale of dangerous materials, especially in furniture and gear for children. Protecting our fire-fighters is in our own best interests.

I hope the committee takes prompt action to push this bill forward.

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