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REF: Support for HB 124 – Electronic recording of documents

The Alaska Association of Realtors (AAR) represents over 1800 of the nearly 3000 licenses all across Alaska. AAR would like to thank you for introducing House Bill 124 – Electronic recording of documents.

The members of the Alaska Association of Realtors are in full support of HB 124. This legislation addresses a long-standing problem with providing a secure process for remote online notarization to facilitate commercial transactions in Alaska. The use of electronic records in commercial, governmental and personal transaction has become increasingly prevalent in recent years. HB 124 allow Alaskans to keep up with these trends and perform notarization with greater ease. This bill ensures Alaska notarial law is consistent with notarial law in a growing number of states.

Again, we thank you for introducing this important piece of legislation providing better protection for both sellers and buyers in Alaska and look forward to its passage.

Sincerely,

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