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RE: Support of HB 132

To Whom It May Concern:

As the Apprenticeship Coordinator of Ironworkers Local 751, I am writing this letter to express our support of House Bill 132 implementing a Registered Apprentice Tax Credit. This bill will promote opportunities and create jobs for registered apprentices, thereby strengthening training programs across the state.

Local 751's Apprenticeship Program takes place over the continuity of four years where you accumulate 6000 hours of hands-on-work with skilled ironworkers, as well as 860 hours of safety training in the classroom. Completing these requirements allows an apprentice to become a highly skilled tradesman.

This bill will encourage and promote contractors to employ apprentices, plus support the construction industry as a whole. I see day in and day out the difference that it makes when there are jobs available to send apprentices out to. We support HB 132 which allows Alaska's workplace to grow and thrive.

With Regards,

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