

Feb. 18, 2021

Re: Support for SB3

Dear Senator Elvi Gray Jackson,

We at the Community United for Safety and Protection would like to express our appreciation and support for SB3, "An Act relating to the Alaska Police Standards Council; requiring a peace officer to attempt to de-escalate a situation and use alternative non-lethal methods of engagement before discharging a firearm; and requiring a peace officer to provide an oral warning before discharging a firearm." As a group of current and former sex workers, sex trafficking survivors, and our allies working towards safety and protection for everyone in Alaska's sex trades, we have found that it is very important to hold law enforcement in Alaska to much higher and clearer standard when it comes to policing by putting this much needed language into the Alaska Statutes.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely, Terra Burns Maxine Doogan Kat McElroy Amber Nickerson