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The Honorable Kelly Merrick
Co-Chair, House Finance Committee
Legislative Finance Division
State Capitol Room 511
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Co-Chair Merrick:

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to respond in writing to question regarding HB 100: Extend Workforce Invest Board Allocations, also known as the Technical Vocational Education Program (TVEP) reauthorization bill.

Are there unemployed adults on waiting lists for TVEP funded programs that are currently being attended by high school students (Representative Carpenter)?

Training provided with TVEP funds is primarily target toward and restricted to adults. There is no instance that we know of allowing a training opportunity to a youth while an unemployed adult is waiting. The exception to that are the programs that are specific to high school students. In those cases, adults would not be on a waiting list as requirement of those programs is to be a high school student.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Louise Dean".

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