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Governor Mike Dunleavy
STATE OF ALASKA

January 31, 2022

The Honorable Peter Micciche
Senate President
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 111
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear President Micciche:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to nuclear microreactors.

This bill would allow Alaskan communities to pursue the use of nuclear microreactors in Alaska by excluding local microreactor projects from the legislative designation siting requirement, exempting microreactors from the ongoing study requirement of AS 18.45.030 in recognition of the extensive research taking place both inside and outside of Alaska, and adopting the federal definition of a "microreactor."

This bill represents an important step toward securing Alaska's energy independence, supporting the readiness of our Nation's military, and creating a pathway to new and alternative energy opportunities for communities across our State. Alaska has always stood at the vanguard of sustainable microgrid technology, and this bill will ensure we retain our global leadership role.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike Dunleavy".

Mike Dunleavy
Governor

Enclosure