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From: Sen. Gary Stevens
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To: Tim Lamkin
Subject: FW: Support SB 20

From: Taw Lindsey <Taw.Lindsey.243268825@p2a.co>
Sent: Thursday, March 18, 2021 10:34 AM
To: Sen. Gary Stevens <Sen.Gary.Stevens@akleg.gov>
Subject: Support SB 20

Dear Senator Stevens,

I urge you to support SB 20 to reduce barriers to teaching in Alaska. Alaska schools need quality teachers to ensure an excellent education for all students, and reducing the administrative barriers to a teaching certificate is an excellent way to encourage quality teachers to teach in Alaska. This bill will ensure that qualified teachers looking to move to Alaska will be able to teach without completing burdensome requirements like the Praxis exam. By requiring new teachers complete the cultural education and Alaska history courses within three years, this bill ensures that teachers can get into the classroom quickly and still receive the Alaska-specific education needed to be an excellent educator in our state.

Regards,
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