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Dear Senators and Representatives,

My apologies for a last minute note to you but as you all know and live, some of us lead very busy lives. Thank you for considering my following comments.

I am adamantly opposed to SB 62. As a retired teacher, I am a strong believer in words, the real and meaningful intent in the way they are used. Critical seems to me to imply extremely important, habitat seems to me to imply places where things, plants, animals, birds, fish and untold numbers of other critters live. Combining Critical with Habitat seem to me that we are talking about Extremely Important places where many different things live. The Kachemak Bay Critical Habitat area and the adjacent Fox River Critical Habitat area are extremely important for many reasons and have been recognized as such for nearly 50 years.

You know as well as I do the potential negative impact SB 62 would have on Kachemak Bay, the Critical Habitat Area, all the species the designation was meant to protect. If passed, it also sets the precedent to follow suit in other Critical Habitats around the state. Our fish, wildlife, birds are what we brag about in photos and words, are what we use to entice folks from away to come and visit, to see for themselves. SB 62 if passed will jeopardize that now and long into the future.

Thank you for reading my comments and again I hope you look at the meaning of those two words and then vote to oppose SB 62.

With respect,
Dave Brann