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To: Senate Finance Committee
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Dear Alaska Senate Finance Committee,

SB 67 is an important and necessary step toward protecting the drinking water and health of Alaskans. PFAS, which are a harmful class of over 12,000 chemicals, are known as "forever chemicals" because they are extremely persistent and have been found in the bodies of people and wildlife. They cause harm to health at extremely low exposure levels, including certain cancers, liver and kidney damage, and immune system suppression.

Most of the contamination from PFAS in Alaskan's drinking water has been caused by the dispersive use of PFAS-based industrial firefighting foams used on airports and military bases.

Some suggested talking points—be sure to use your own words about why this is important to you!

SB 67 is an important and necessary step toward protecting the drinking water and health of Alaskans.

There are safe, effective, and economical alternatives to the use of PFAS-based firefighting foams that are in use at major airports, military installations, and oil and gas facilities around the world.

We also need comprehensive legislation to establish health protective drinking water standards and other protections for Alaska communities.

Please schedule a hearing and pass SB 67 during this session!

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