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The Honorable Jesse Sumner, Chair House Labor & Commerce Committee State Capitol, Juneau, Alaska 99801

Re: Support for HB 150 - Residential Building Code

Dear Rep. Sumner:

Thank you for introducing & bringing this forward to the committee, it is a state-wide issue that has needed attention for quite some time. I am writing to support HB 150 as written!

I am impressed that the Alaska State Homebuilding Association has asked for this Residential Building Code that applies specifically to them. Think about it; Licensed Contractors are asking for a minimum code standard for all contractors to follow statewide.

I am sure some have questions about **verification and Enforcement** that the work being done meets the Residential Building Code? Enforcement can be handled through our State legal system if needed, it becomes a civil matter if discovered that a new building does not meet code built by a licensed contractor after the effective date of this bill.

In closing, it is my opinion HB 150 is good for the public, contractors and all involved.

Best Regards,
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