



SPEARPOINT

— CONSTRUCTION, LLC —

To the Honorable Members of the House Labor and Commerce Committee,

Subject: Support for House Bill 186 – Addressing Wage Theft in Alaska's Construction Industry

I am writing to express my support for House Bill 186, which seeks to empower a volunteer force to inspect construction sites across Alaska. This bill offers a proactive approach to combat wage theft, a critical issue that not only affects the livelihoods of workers but also the integrity of the construction industry at large.

As a General Contractor, my experiences have shown me the pervasive impact that wage theft can have, not just on the workforce, but also on the ethical and financial fabric of our industry. Ensuring that workers are fairly compensated is fundamental to maintaining the industry's reputation and operational standards. Alaska's construction sector is vital for our state's growth, and it's imperative that it functions within a framework of fairness and transparency.

Most of my contracts are based in the North Slope, with little enforcement or oversight from government entities. I have heard some hearsay of the inappropriate wage contracts here concerning other contractors in my area. I cannot speak to them because I have not validated any claims.

This bill is a step in the right direction, and I fully support its objectives and the mechanisms it proposes. It promises to create a more accountable and transparent industry, which is essential for attracting investments and skilled labor to our state.

I urge the committee to consider the positive implications of HB 186 for both the construction industry and its workforce. Your support for this bill can help safeguard the rights of workers and ensure the continued growth and integrity of our industry.

Sincerely,

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Carlo Delrosario

Owner