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To: Sen. Mitch Abood, Chair
Members, Senate State Affairs Committee

Re: SB 440; "An Act relating to the Alaska Association of
School Boards; and providing for an effective
date."

NEA-Alaska supports and encourages passage of SB 440.

For a single organization to be given statutory exclusivity to the right to represent political subdivisions of the State is a deprivation of opportunity to any other organization or individual seeking to provide similar services.

To continue such special privilege would seem to expose the State to an unnecessary liability or quite possibly require that similar privileges be extended to other organizations desirous of representing political subdivisions and the various employee groups of these political subdivisions as well.

Thank you for your consideration of our concerns and suggestions.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Manners
Executive Secretary

cc: Sen. Fred Zharoff

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