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Governor Bill Walker  
STATE OF ALASKA

January 20, 2015

The Honorable Kevin Meyer  
President of the Senate  
Alaska State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 111  
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

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Sincerely,

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