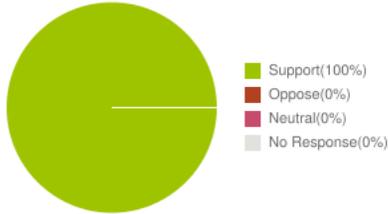


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07-18-17 18:00

Agenda Item: eComments for *e. 2017-17 An Ordinance Amending KPB Chapter 5.18 to Establish an 8 Percent Areawide Sales Tax on Temporary Lodging and Providing for an Exemption of Up to 4 Percent of the Levy on Temporary Lodging within the Boundaries of Cities in the Borough that Levy a Similar Sales Tax in Addition to an Existing General Sales Tax, Subject to Approval by the Voters in the Regular Election on October, 3, 2017 (Mayor)(Hearing on 08/15/17)

Overall Sentiment



Ken Landfield

Location:

Submitted At: 6:51pm 07-16-17

I am a Borough resident living in Homer. I have travelled extensively in my time, and have never once made a decision on where to go or stay based on bed taxes. I submit that pretty much no one does. The cost of a room is what it is, and is neither an incentive nor a deterrent. If you want to go somewhere, you're going to go there, and a tax on your bed is not going to be a deciding factor. All taxes are annoying, including property and sales and income taxes, but nothing is free, even relatively low-impact industries like tourism have an effect on infrastructure, and we should all contribute to maintaining and supporting the beauty and wonder of this extraordinary place we call home, resident and visitor alike. Please establish a bed tax on the Kenai Peninsula.

