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KPB Resilience & Security Advisory Commission Liaison

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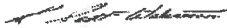
The Resilience & Security Advisory Commission (RSAC) has become aware of proposed legislation that may be beneficial to the Kenai Peninsula Borough (KPB). The proposed legislation, Senate Bill 17, is an Act relating to the retrofitting of certain public and community facilities. It is the goal of this legislation that the state, by 2026, enter into energy service performance contracts valued at \$100,000,000 to retrofit public facilities, public buildings, and public school buildings in a manner that will result in a net savings in energy costs to the state within 15 years after completion of the retrofit.

The legislation could enable efficiency upgrades to Kenai Peninsula Borough School District (KPBSD) facilities that are known both by KPBSD and the KPB to be cost-savings opportunities, but which have been challenged by funding and organizational issues. It may also provide opportunities to other KPB buildings and to community buildings within the KPB. This legislation, if passed, could save the state and the Borough money, improve KPBSD facilities, and benefit the environment.

Because of the possible benefits to the KPB, the RSAC passed a resolution at its March 10, 2021 meeting advising the Assembly to pass a resolution of support for SB 17 and send the resolution to Senator Tom Begich, the sponsor of the proposed legislation.

As additional information attached to this letter are copies of the Sponsor Statement and Sectional Analysis for the proposed resolution.

Respectfully,



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Chairman KPB Resilience & Security Advisory Commission