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MEMORANDUM

TO: Blaine Gilman, Assembly President
Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly Members

FROM: Stan Welles, Assembly Member (SW) for S.W.

DATE: March 24, 2016

RE: Ordinance 2016-12, An Ordinance Amending KPB 7.30.020 to Change the Way Minimum Distances are Measured Between Marijuana Establishments and Schools, Churches and Correctional Facilities, and Imposing Minimum Distances Between Marijuana Establishments and Local Option Zoning Districts (Welles)

This ordinance provides that the distance between a licensed marijuana establishment and a school, a place of public worship, a youth center and a correctional facility would be determined by measuring the distance between the licensed premises property line and the outer parcel boundaries of the other location. In my view this is a much simpler way of measuring the distance than following the pedestrian route from the public entrance of the licensed premises building to the outer boundaries of the property where the school or other facilities are located. It also adds a new provision that would prohibit a marijuana establishment from being located within 500 feet of an existing local option zoning district. I think this is important to support the purpose of local option zoning districts in which licensed marijuana establishments are no longer authorized under KPB 7.30.020(B)(3).

Your approval of this would be appreciated.