



# KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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**DATE:** December 8, 2015

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

**FROM:** Joe Arness  
Board President

**RE:** Ordinance 2015-27

The Board of Education is aware that Borough Ordinance 2015-27 will change the minimum distance requirements between liquor establishments and an established school, playground or church from 500 feet to 300 feet.

The Board will always view proposals relating to schools thru the lens of “is it best for kids?” While it is difficult to objectively identify a difference between a 300 foot requirement and a 500 foot requirement in terms of student outcomes, it is also difficult to suggest that it is “better for kids” to have liquor establishments closer to schools.

For this reason, please be advised that the KPBSD Board of Education strongly opposes Borough Ordinance 2015-27.

If you have any questions, please contact me.