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The Honorable Bryce Edgmon
Speaker of the House
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol Room 208
Juneau AK, 99801-1182

The Honorable Neal Foster
Co-Chair, House Finance Committee
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 505
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

The Honorable Tammie Wilson
Co-Chair, House Finance Committee
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 511
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Speaker Edgmon and Co-chairs Foster and Wilson,

The purpose of this letter is to call your attention to a technical item in the operating budget that the Office of Management and Budget believes is an error or oversight.

Per Chapter 6, SLA2018, HB 287 Finance, the 2018 Legislature included language in the FY19 budget outlining the FY20 estimation for funding for K-12 education. However, no language was included in the FY20 House Finance Committee substitute for HB 39 to appropriate the funding for the FY20 budget cycle. If passed as is without appropriation language and authority, funds would not be transferred or paid out on July 1, 2019. Because this legislation has passed from the House Finance Committee and is scheduled on the House floor, I would request that an amendment be put forward to address this apparent discrepancy between the House Finance Committee's indicated intent to fund and the legislation as written.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or if you would like to discuss further.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "D. Arduin".

Donna Arduin
Director

cc: David Teal, Director, Legislative Finance Division
Suzanne Cunningham, Director, Governor's Legislative Office