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January 21, 2014

The Honorable Fred Dyson State Capitol Building Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

RE: Senate Bill 110

Dear Senator Dyson:

On behalf of the National Federation of Independent Business/Alaska, I wish to respectfully share our support for Senate Bill 110. The National Federation of Independent Business is the largest small-business advocacy group in Alaska.

We appreciated your efforts in passing SB 30 that was signed into law as Chapter 3, SLA 2012. Establishing a process for business owners and other citizens to retrieve their property being held as evidence by the legal system was an important issue for NFIB members.

It is unfortunate, but necessary to amend that law to permit the Victims' Advocate to request a Court hearing if the law enforce agency will not release the property to its owner. The current law only allows the law enforcement agency to request a court hearing. This change will allow fairness in arbitrating the release of property held as evidence.

Businesses in Alaska are most appreciative of your continued focus and commitment to addressing this most important issue.

Sincerely yours,

Dennis L. DeWitt Alaska State Director

Cc: NFIB/AK Leadership Council