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Alaska Business Report Card Group Releases Grades

House Majority Earns High Marks While Senate Majority Fails

(Anchorage) - The Alaska Business Report Card (ABRC) released grades on members of the 27th Alaska Legislature today. The report card is issued to give their collective membership a clear sense of how each legislator, caucuses, and the Governor are working to create a healthy economic climate for business in Alaska. The ABRC is comprised of Alaska State Chamber of Commerce, Alaska Support Industry Alliance, Prosperity Alaska and Resource Development Council for Alaska, Inc..

On January 30, the directors of the ABRC participating organizations hand delivered a letter to every legislator and the Governor clearly outlining the six policy areas for which they would be evaluated. The policy areas are: fiscal responsibility, oil tax reform, regulatory efficiency, litigation reform, general business climate and strategic infrastructure. In addition to these broad areas of policy, each ABRC organization informed policy makers of specific legislation their organization supported or opposed which would be considered in the grading process.

Letter grades have been computed through an average of each participating organizations' scoring based on their respective legislative priorities. As in 2011, bill sponsorship, committee votes, floor votes, actions taken in committee when applicable and overall leadership in and outside of the legislature was considered in the grading process.

The ABRC notified each individual legislator and the Governor of their grade earlier this morning via email. The grades for the House and Senate majority and minority are: House Majority, A- , House Minority, D, Senate Majority, F , Senate Minority, A. Grades of individual legislators and the Governor are available online at www.alaskabusinessreportcard.com .

The Alaska Business Report Card was formed in 2010 in an effort to inform the participating organizations' member companies, who employ tens of thousands of Alaskans, of how elected officials are performing to ensure Alaska remains an attractive place for private sector investment, jobs, and economic growth. For more information, please visit www.alaskabusinessreportcard.com.

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