



October 4, 2018

The Honorable Governor Bill Walker  
Alaska State Capital  
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Governor Walker:

The undersigned business organizations, working together as the Alaska Business Report Card, represent hundreds of companies and tens of thousands of employees from every major industry in Alaska. These groups collaborated to formulate an Alaska Business Report Card (ABRC) for the 30th Alaska Legislature, including a grade for your administration.

To reiterate, we grouped our grading criteria under two simple headings:

#### RESPONSIBLE BUDGETING

- Budget policy should focus first and foremost on reversing the unsustainable state budget growth of the past decade. A multi-year series of annual reductions in the state operating budget – including entitlement reform – will be required.
- Only after reducing general fund spending to sustainable levels should revenue options be considered.

#### PRIVATE SECTOR GROWTH

- Maintain a stable business climate for all business, especially our all-important oil and gas industry. Businesses will not invest in uncertainty and Alaska needs to be a reliable partner.
- Adopt policies that ensure a streamlined, efficient and adequately funded regulatory system that relies on sound science as the basis for decision-making.

Based on the above criteria your administration received an “F” grade for the 30th Alaska Legislature.

If you would like more details on how your administration was graded please visit [alaskabusinessreportcard.com](http://alaskabusinessreportcard.com) for the eleven bills your grade was based upon.

Sincerely,

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Alaska Chamber

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