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## **SB 142 Version A Sponsor Statement**

“An Act relating to radiofrequency radiation exposure in schools.”

With approximately 128,588 students across 53 school districts, it is our responsibility and privilege to provide a high-quality educational environment for every student including recognizing that for “students in Alaska to become College, Career and Culturally Ready Graduates, it is important that they feel healthy (both physically and emotionally) and safe in school.” In recent years, there has been a growing concern over the potential negative health effects on our children through continued exposure to WiFi technology networks and radiofrequency radiation.

SB 142 directs the Department of Health and Social Services to review peer-reviewed, independently funded scientific studies that examine the health effects of WiFi technology networks and radiofrequency radiation on our most valuable resource. Protecting our kids is one of our most important responsibilities and I urge you to support this bill to ensure we are doing just that.