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The Honorable Don Young
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Dear Congressman Young

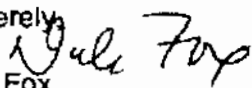
On behalf of Alaska CHARR, I am writing to encourage you to support H.R. 4167, the "National Uniformity for Food Act of 2005," when this legislation is brought to the House floor. We also hope you will consider signing on as a cosponsor of this legislation.

At last count, H.R. 4167 has 227 bipartisan co-sponsors, and was reported favorably from the Energy and Commerce Committee on December 15, 2005.

This legislation is a priority for Alaska CHARR and is supported by the National Restaurant Assn, our national trade association, and hundreds of other trade groups and businesses nationwide involved in the food and beverage industry. This bill recognizes that it is wrong to have different states adopting different and sometimes contradictory regulatory requirements on identical food products. Such a system is confusing to consumers and costly to the makers of food. H.R. 4167 will provide consumers and food makers with consistent food safety regulations for food products sold in all 50 states.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We hope you can support this commonsense and much-needed legislation.

Sincerely,


Dale Fox
Executive Director

cc Sen. Murkowski, Senator Stevens