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To Commission Members for the State of Alaska
RE: Pay Raises

I am opposed to any pay raises for the legislators, department heads and governor. With oil revenues falling sharply and the financial future of our state and our nation in question now is not the time to be giving out pay raises. Rick Halford says that we need to be able to attract and keep the best and the brightest people for these positions, however I believe these people need to be thankful that they have a job to go to. There are a lot of people in the private sector that are taking pay cuts and some of them are losing their jobs. The time will come to give out pay raises but now is not that time.

Sincerely
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