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## Legislature Fully Funds FY2016 Budget: Partial Government Shutdown Notices Rescinded

**Juneau** – Commissioner Hoffbeck is happy to announce HB 2001, which fully funds the FY 2016 budget, was passed by both the House and the Senate yesterday afternoon. As a result, all of the layoff or furlough notices dated June 1, 2015, which were exclusively related to the partial government shutdown, have been rescinded.

Commissioner Hoffbeck would like to thank all of the Department of Revenue employees for their hard work and dedication to the State, "this was a difficult and stressful process to go through, but I was continually encouraged by the professional and positive attitudes demonstrated by the staff of the Department during this stressful time."

Governor Walker and Commissioner Hoffbeck both recognize that Alaska still faces a \$3.5 billion dollar budget imbalance and are ready to get to work and figure out how to fill the gap. Of course this can only happen with the continued support of staff through the development and implementation of innovative and fiscally conservative ideas.

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