



# The 2011 Alaska Business Report Card

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Last year, the *Alaska Business Report Card* was launched. The following groups will once again be developing the report card to give their collective memberships a clear sense of how each legislator, as well as the Governor, stand up for Alaskan business:

- Alaska State Chamber of Commerce <http://www.alaskachamber.com/>
- Alaska Support Industry Alliance <http://alaskaalliance.com/>
- Associated Builders and Contractors of Alaska, Inc. <http://www.abcalaska.org/>
- Prosperity Alaska <http://www.prosperityalaska.org>
- Resource Development Council for Alaska, Inc. <http://www.akrdc.org>

Each of the participating organizations, who represent companies that employ tens of thousands of Alaskans, actively works to build a strong economy in Alaska and to ensure the state develops a policy regime that supports jobs and business. Each of our organizations will continue to work with all of our policy makers to make Alaska an attractive place for private sector investment, jobs, and economic growth.

Admittedly, the *Alaska Business Report Card* participants did not do a sufficient job last year of informing legislators of our process. We aim to improve our communication with legislators and at the same time, commit to disseminating the 2011 and 2012 grades to an even wider audience to ensure it is known how legislators are/are not advocating for the business community.

We will evaluate members of the 2011 Alaska State Legislature and the Governor based on their respective performances related to the priorities of Alaska’s business community. Legislators will be evaluated on the following broad policy areas:

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| 1. Fiscal Responsibility   | 4. Litigation Reform        |
| 2. Oil Tax Reform          | 5. General Business Climate |
| 3. Regulatory Streamlining | 6. Strategic Infrastructure |

Letter grades will be given to legislators following the legislative session, computed through an average of each participating organization’s input. Each organization will grade based upon its own specific priorities and issues. Individual grades from each organization will **not** be released.

Specific legislation considered in the grading process will be posted throughout the legislative session to [www.alaskabusinessreportcard.com](http://www.alaskabusinessreportcard.com) as well as on each participating organization’s website. Grading will be based on:

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| 1. Bill sponsorships | 4. Actions taken in committee when applicable       |
| 2. Committee votes   | 5. Overall leadership in and out of the Legislature |
| 3. Floor votes       |   |

We would be happy to discuss additional details or answer questions with you or your staff. Please contact us at [info@alaskabusinessreportcard.com](mailto:info@alaskabusinessreportcard.com) to set up a meeting. We look forward to working with you this session to make Alaska a better place to invest.