EXHIBIT 5
DATE 2-18-05
HB HB 528

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FEBRUARY 16, 2005

DEAR COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

AS A LIQUOR LICENSEE IN THE STATE OF MONTANA AND HAVING TO FOLLOW ALL THE LAWS AND REGULATIONS OF BEING SUCH, I VEHMENETY OPPOSE H.B. 528.

THE CURRENT LICENSING LAWS ARE VERY EFFECTIVE AND SHOULD NOT BE CIRCUMVENTED FOR SPECIAL INTERESTS OR INDIVIDUALS. THE ORIGINAL INTENT OF THE BEER AND WINE LICENSE AT THE WEST YELLOWSTONE AIRPORT WAS ISSUED TO THE STATE OF MONTANA SO IT COULD BETTER SERVE THE TRAVELING PUBLIC. UNTIL SUCH TIME THAT THE AIRPORT OPENS FOR A LONGER PERIOD OF TIME, THE LICENSE SHOULD SERVE

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THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH IT WAS ORIGINALLY ISSUED. SHOULD H.B. 528 BE ENACTED, IT WOULD CIRCUMVENT THE INTENT OF THE ORIGINAL ISSUANCE.

AS I UNDERSTAND THE BILL, IT WOULD ALLOW THE D.O.T. TO LEASE THE LICENSE TO A TENNANT WHO WOULD NOT BE REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH THE STATE LICENSING LAWS SUCH BACKGROUND CHECKS AND OTHER PROCEDURES AND IGNORES THE FIVE(5) MILE RULE AS SET DOWN BY THE STATE.

RESPECTFULLY,

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