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Dear Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee,

It has come to my attention that there is a bill pending that will allow the State of Montana and TJs Bettola to transition a Temporary Beer and Wine License at the Yellowstone Airport to a year-round license.

As owner and operator of Strozzi's Bar and a resident of West Yellowstone for 31 years I support bill #528 one hundred percent. My reasons for supporting this bill are as follows:

- 1) This bill will create additional revenue for a town that has been financially challenged in the winter months due to the new snowmobile regulations. This bill will also allow our tourists and locals a place to dine before and after peak seasons.
- 2) This bill will provide the opportunity for year round jobs as well as stability for a locally owned business.
- 3) As an existing landlord, I understand the complications of keeping and maintaining a tenant, therefore I believe expanding the State's Beer and Wine License will provide the State with the security it needs to secure a tenant long term.

In conclusion, I support the State Department of Transportation's position on this issue and I support TJs Bettola as a fellow local business. Simply put, I feel Bill #528 should be passed.

Thank You,

Jack Stozzi

