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Offered In: The House Finance Committee
To: HB 268 / HB 270
Offered By: Representative Josephson

Agency: University of Alaska
Appropriation: University of Alaska
Allocation: Fairbanks Campus

Transaction Details

Title: UAF Ensuring Alaska's Food Security and Resilience
Section: Section 1
Type: IncOTI

Line Items (Amounts are in thousands)

Personal Services:	0.0
Travel:	0.0
Services:	0.0
Commodities:	0.0
Capital Outlay:	0.0
Grants:	0.0
Miscellaneous:	625.0
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Positions

Permanent Full-Time:	3
Permanent Part-Time:	0
Temporary:	0

Funding (Amounts are in thousands)

1004 Gen Fund	425.0
1048 Univ Rcpt	200.0

Explanation

This investment will respond to the needs of the agriculture industry in Alaska, improve food security, and independence, and strengthen Alaska's food system. This funding will support hiring additional agricultural research faculty and contributing to expanding soil research, varietal trials, and product development within

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Alaska as part of the Institute of Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Extension's mission.
ROI: Faculty will provide the expertise needed to support Alaskans' success in pursuing and expanding farming, agriculture-related businesses, and sustainability in Alaska. This allows UAF more competitive federal funding estimated at \$200K/year. This will improve the economic yield for farmers, promote self-sufficiency, and provide an economic boost for the state.