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What producers like myself want is 110% clarification on the actual draft proposal of 18 AAC 32.70 that any new regulations for raw milk will not apply to, or impact, Herd Shares (AS 17.20.015) as signed into Alaska Statute by Governor Dunleavy last year with HB22. Herd shares work beautifully in providing access to Raw Milk through responsible co-ownership by share-holders of cows/goats/sheep. I personally oppose individual Raw Milk sales to the general public as proposed by 18 AAC 32.070. I'm confident the proposal was well meaning to add greater access to Raw Milk. But unfortunately, if 18 AAC 32.070 passes and has any impact on Herd Shares (AS17.20.015) now or in the future, what Governor Dunleavy has actually done is the opposite of what he intended - Raw Milk will be unobtainable. It's also perplexing to me how any new proposed regulation to access Raw Milk through individual sales will be enforced by any state agency in a budget deficit. It makes absolutely no sense to add regulations that cannot be brought to fruition. 18 AAC 32.070 in its entirety as written is a bad idea for Alaskan agriculture.

Sincerely, Tina Starr Judd ♦ Summer Starr Farm