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SENATOR BERT K. STEDMAN

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Senator Bert Stedman to Meet with Ketchikan Stakeholders Senator consults with constituents, prepares for session

(**Ketchikan**)—Sen. Bert Stedman (R-Sitka) will be in Ketchikan next week to meet with policy makers, stakeholders and citizens in preparation for the upcoming legislative session. The second session of the 24th Alaska Legislature begins on January 9th, and Stedman says he wants to hit the ground running. "I plan to spend some time in Ketchikan listening to people," Stedman said. "When I go back to Juneau next month, I want to do so with a clear understanding of the district's priorities."

Senator Stedman will attend the Ketchikan Chamber of Commerce's "Enchanted Forest" fundraiser on Saturday, and is meeting with constituents on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. He'll be meeting with City and Borough officials, School District representatives, local business and non-profit leaders, and others. "It's essential for me to hear from the local folks before we head back to Juneau," said Stedman. "I want to stay focused on what's important to the residents of District A."

Individuals who wish to make an appointment with Senator Stedman should call 225-8088.

Senator Stedman represents Senate District A, which includes the Southeast communities of Ketchikan, Sitka, Wrangell and Petersburg.