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The Honorable Shereef Elnahal, M.D.
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Dear Dr Elnahal,

The Alaska Board of Examiners in Optometry has received no complaints regarding care rendered following the signing of CSHB103(FIN) into law on July 26, 2017, and the subsequent statute change of AS 08.72.278 and integration of regulation 12 AAC 48.040 that expanded optometric scope of practice in Alaska to allow increased access to care throughout the state of Alaska.

The Alaska Board of Examiners in Optometry continues to monitor judiciously and carefully all aspects of optometric care for the benefit of the citizens of Alaska.

Sincerely,

Bradley Cross, O.D.
Chair, Alaska Board of Examiners in Optometry