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I have written about this bill before but I feel a strong need to write again. I can see no advantage to the State of Alaska by allowing concealed weapons on UA campuses; I can only see disadvantages. This bill is only a muscle flexing exercise and nothing else.

University campuses have a high concentration of youth with raging hormones; a high level of stress; intermix with this a degree of poor judgement, which comes with youth and inexperience. If concealed weapons are allowed, I see only eventual disaster.

As I have said before, I would not want to attend a university that allowed concealed weapons; I would not want to teach at a university with concealed weapons; nor would I want my children or grandchildren to attend a university with concealed weapons.

If concealed weapons were allowed on UA campuses, I foresee a drop in enrollment and in qualified teachers.

No one has addressed the liability issue. If any 'accident' involving a weapon occurred, what would the liability to the state be? You would also have to be held accountable for any 'accident' on a UA campus.

To me, the price is too high to pay just to flex a muscle!

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P.S. Remember, you work for me!