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Sponsor Statement

HB 210

"An Act relating to the drinking age...and relating to the age to possess tobacco for a person who is an active member of the U.S. Armed Forces or the Alaska National Guard."

HB 210 would enable all active duty warriors in our U.S. Armed Forces to be treated as adults. HB 210 permits active duty service members under age 21 to consume alcoholic beverages and use tobacco products in Alaska.

"It's outrageous that a member of our military can be subjected to the horrors of war, but can't legally have a beer or smoke a cigarette," Lynn said.

According to Rep. Lynn, "any soldier who braves military combat and risks their life for this country should be treated like an adult—in every sense of the word."

HB 210 does not advocate smoking or drinking as a general practice, nor does the sponsor, but *does* advocate equal treatment for adults and the de facto adults in America's military.