

Testimony regarding HB 69
Lynn Willis, Eagle River, Alaska
February 8, 2013

(f) **A federal statute**, regulation, rule, or order enacted or effective on or after the effective date of this Act **is unenforceable in this state** if the federal statute, regulation, rule, or order attempts to

(1) ban or restrict ownership of a semiautomatic firearm or a magazine of a firearm; or

(2) require a firearm, magazine, or other firearm accessory to be registered.

(g) **An official, agent, or employee of the federal government who enforces or attempts to enforce a federal statute, regulation, rule, or order that is unenforceable** under (f) of this section **is guilty of a class B misdemeanor and may be punished** as provided in AS 12.55.

MY OBJECTION TO THIS BILL HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH WEAPONS.
MY OBJECTION IS TO CREATING STATE LAW THAT, IF ENFORCED, COULD RESULT IN A CONFRONTATION BETWEEN ALASKANS WHO ENFORCE OUR LAWS. I WOULDN'T HAVE BOTHERED TO TESTIFY HAD NOT NINETEEN ALASKA LEGISLATORS SUPPORTED THIS LEGISLATION.

MANY HAVE SERVED, AND MANY OF THEM HAVE DIED WHILE SERVING, IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES TO GIVE YOU LEGISLATORS THE FREEDOM UNDER THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES TO SPEAK FREELY AND THEREFORE DRAFT THIS LANGUAGE THAT WOULD ALLOW ALASKA STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AND STATE JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES TO ARREST, PROSECUTE, AND PUNISH FELLOW ALASKANS. THESE ALASKANS MIGHT WELL HAPPEN TO ALSO BE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS LEGALLY ENFORCING LAWS CREATED UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE U.S. CONSTITUTION. I ASSUME THAT IS CERTAINLY YOUR RIGHT.

I AM OFFENDED BY THIS LANGUAGE AND EQUALLY OFFENDED THAT ALMOST HALF OF THE ALASKA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WOULD SPONSOR SUCH LANGUAGE

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NOW I WOULD ASK, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THIS LANGUAGE REMAINS IN THIS BILL, THAT THOSE LEGISLATORS WHO EITHER INTRODUCED OR SPONSORED THIS LANGUAGE, AND APPARENTLY RELISH THE THOUGHT OF A CONFLICT BETWEEN LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS; PLEASE, AT THE TIME OF THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WHEN THE LEGISLATURE NEXT CONVENES, STAND THEN TURN AWAY FROM THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES SO THAT YOU CAN REFLECT ON THE MEANING OF THE OATH YOU RECENTLY TOOK TO “SUPPORT AND DEFEND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES...”

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