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Transportation Committee,

I oppose HB 91.

Right now, the State of Alaska is in a Financial Crisis. The crime of the century is taking place right before our very eyes. If the legislature is not dedicating 100% of their time trying to cut spending and rid this state of unconstitutional programs, they are negligent in their elected position and an their Oath of office.

HB91 is not a safety issue; it is a desired betterment and a liberty issue. This is a "do gooder" bill. This degrades individual liberty. This increases government powers and only tries to force a desired outcome. This will have negative effects and sends the wrong message. Forcing proper driving habits of courtesy is wrong. Teaching proper driving habits and courtesy provides lasting effects that span generations.

For those who feel this bill is a good idea, have they contacted the driving schools to find out if this is being taught? Have they been on the radio stations discussing it? Have they written op-eds talking about it? What have these people personally done to achieve an out come they could be happy with instead of running to the government to help them with their personal inconveniences.

I agree that one should drive in the right hand lane until passing the car in front of them. There are often times reasons why this cannot be done including people forgetting and never being taught. Regardless, this should not be a crime or penalty.

We need to start doing things as a society because it is the right thing to do, NOT because the government demands it under penalty of law.

Do not pass this bill and do not bring it up again. Please spend your time addressing our states financial crisis.

Regards, Pamela Goode