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**To:** [Senate Finance Committee](#)  
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Guns on campus SB174

Dear Senate Finance committee,

I am writing you to vote NO on SB174.

This bill is absurd, dangerous and opens the door for more gun violence at my child's school.

I find it hard to believe it is even being considered.

With the national crisis of gun violence at all levels of schools, I find it irresponsible, imprudent and reckless to even consider this bill.

At a state of fiscal crisis, it is also unreasonable to require Alaska colleges to pay for the additional security required. In 2014, Idaho passed a guns on campus law. As a result, five state schools had to spend over \$3.7 million to increase security the first year alone. Last year, Texas campus carry legislation was estimated to cost six Texas Universities \$59 million over 6 years. In Arizona, the State board of Regents estimates the allowing of guns on its three campuses will cost \$13.3 million to initiate then \$3.1 million annually in operating costs.

Allowing guns on campus is putting my kids in danger. It is upsetting to me that legislatures can have the power to put my kids at an increased risk of being shot at school.

I respectfully urge you to vote NO on SB174.

Sincerely,  
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