

HB2001  
HFN 7/17/19

My name is Robert Burgess, I currently live in Ester, and will soon be moving to a house that I'm in the process of buying on the University end of Farmer's Loop. It will be the first time that I have owned property in my life, and I have been very excited about it. However, these budget vetoes fell right in the middle of our negotiations for that house, and for the first time in my life I asked myself if I really wanted to live in Fairbanks, Alaska. I grew up here, I've been raising my kids here, and I never thought that I would ever consider moving away permanently, but here we are. If these vetoes are allowed to stand, it will completely change the face of this community, and the state. My girlfriend and I decided we would go through with the purchase, but only because we are among the lucky few who *might* not be personally devastated by the cuts. I still am uncertain if this is the right decision for us and our kids because of the ways in which this community and state are likely to change, but I am trying to have faith in the democratic process, despite evidence that it isn't working for the people of the state.

~~There's a misconception that the cuts are only to so-called "entitlement" programs.~~  
These vetoes cut funding to the University, which contributes to this community in so many ways beyond just offering world class research opportunities and education, and brings in people and money to this community. They cut programs serving the homeless and treating addiction and mental health, including the Bread Line and Stone Soup, which not only feed people, but help them to get on their feet with job training, advocacy, and education. Without them, people in tough positions will be subjected to more hardships and may turn to crime in desperation, which will affect us all. The vetoes cut agricultural programs, including the Alaska Grown program, which has become a source of pride for Alaskan farmers and communities. They have closed the state council of the arts, which supports local artists and brings in money to the state. *Helps farmers advertise & get produce to market*  
~~All of these programs & institutions are sources of strength and pride for Alaska. They define who we are as a people.~~  
Of course there's much more, but the point is that these cuts blindly and irresponsibly damage and destroy programs and institutions that have become bastions of pride and economic stability for this community and the state.

Already the impacts are being felt. Through my job, I know of a family that had an oil spill inside their house due to the theft of their monitor heater, was unable to get a home equity loan, and had to live in a motel for a year due to health risks from breathing fuel vapors. They've only recently been able to move back in to their home and get approval for their loan to make necessary upgrades to the roof of their house, only to find out a few weeks later that, because they are university employees, their loan is being put on hold due to the likelihood of furlough or termination. The board of directors of our small, local credit union has apparently made the choice to put all loans to University employees on hold until they know more about how the University will react to the cuts. That also means that contractors and his local workers won't get a job, local businesses won't sell them the materials, etc. There are

widespread effects on all of us. *My sister is the co-owner of Goosefoot Farms, ~~and~~ with her husband, they are worried about making ends meet ~~if~~ if University staff are laid off, because about half of their customers use is VAP staff & faculty.*  
The vetoes are unconscionable, and We, the People, will not stand for this blatant disregard for our physical, mental, and economic well being. I join with my community and demand that HB 2001 is passed and funding is restored to every program that was cut by this short-sighted and authoritarian administration.

*Also support income tax & other sources of revenue*  
*Cut the oil subsidies*

PFAS?

PFAS - giving DEC's emerg. resp. \$  
to DOT is BAD NEWS for  
disaster preparation

Dunleavy's motto  
is "open for business"  
which business?

Meanwhile, in a state with very little food security, other agricultural programs are being cut.  
We've seen more young farmers here in recent years than in any other state, but ~~the~~ the Governor is destroying the programs that help those farmers obtain grants to establish their business as well as educational programs.  
-Dairy inspector, etc.



# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Finance Committee

Committee on HB 2001 Committee Name  
Bill / Subject Dated July 17, 2019

I urge you to pass HB 2001. The legislature needs to continue to work together, as they did to pass the budget originally. The Governor's budget and his vetoes are devastating to our state. Please stand up to him and the "financial advisors" whose draconian cuts would destroy the University, the Council on the Arts, Education, Alaska legal service, senior programs, and so much more.

Not only is the University a center for higher education for our state; it is also an important research center. Especially in these times when Alaska is undergoing dramatic climate change — melting glaciers, increased wildfires, permafrost melting and coastal erosion, we need researchers to help us understand and respond to ~~these changes~~ this crisis. The cuts will destroy our university. The PFD is of secondary concern. Please pass a reasonable budget first. This is a watershed moment for all of us. I urge all legislators to be brave and do what's right for Alaska.

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the

Committee on HB 2001  
Bill / Subject

Committee Name

Dated July 17, 2019

My name is Choke Brent.

I am a constituent of District 4,<sup>and a Super Voter</sup>  
and I say to pass HB 2001.

Scholarships have been cut, and many  
others are ~~losing~~ their jobs. If the  
PFD stands our state will experience  
an economic decline that we cannot  
afford. Once \$3,000 is used up on  
recreation & frivolous spending, people will have  
nothing to show for it. It is a waste of  
money that could've been used for resources  
~~that~~ to help benefit the state of Alaska.

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HB 2001 Testimony to House Finance Committee

Thank you for taking the time to listen to all Alaskans. As a resident of Alaska for 49 years, I am truly horrified at Dunleavy's budget cuts and his subsequent vetoes of the efforts by the legislature to rectify the situation. I urge your to reverse the governor's cuts and restore funding to all the programs that he seems hellbent on decimating and destroying.

I urge you to work for the common good of all Alaskans, to shore up our struggling economy, insure the health and safety of all our communities, support our education systems at all levels, especially our university systems and the research that keeps our state, nation and, indeed, the world informed and educated. Please restore support for our arts and humanities, the power cost equalization programs so important to the villages, services to the homeless and those struggling to find jobs and put food on the table. We need to continue to do whatever else is necessary to protect the very land, air and waters that supports each of us.

Dunleavy's budget seems geared to cripple Alaska for years to come and to destroy the balance of powers guaranteed by our constitution, to say nothing about crippling our legal support systems. It is clearly not intended to be balanced, let alone fair. We need a plan that supports a just and balanced budget: one that offers hope and opportunity for all and is supported by a diversified income and tax base. One that does not pay big oil more than they pay us for our oil. I urge you to grow the courage needed to reexamine the amount of the PFD. Dunleavy's promise of a \$3000 PFD is bribery, pure and simple and a distraction.

I encourage you to work together, find the revenues needed to support the needs, health and safety of all Alaskans regardless of age, race, place of residence or beliefs. Thank you once again for having the courage and commitment to listen to all Alaskans.



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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Finance

Committee on HB 2001

Bill / Subject

Committee Name

Dated July 17,

I want Dunleavy's vetoes overturned. Since that wasn't done, I want the Univ funding restored. And after reading this morning's paper - the <sup>reason for</sup> large amount of cuts became clear. The Anch/Wasilla delegation want to cut/close DAF. We cannot allow this to happen. I would like the Dividend amount to remain at \$0.00 until the Univ part of budget is restored. There are other funds that are important but our Univ is #1.

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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Please enter into the record my testimony to the Alaska Legislature  
Committee Name  
Committee on House Finance Dated 7-17-19  
Bill / Subject

- 1) I'm against the vetoes Gov Dunleary signed
- 2) I appreciate the bipartisan work done on SB 2001.
- 3) Why isn't there a change made to the per barrel tax credit on each barrel of oil that leaves the state ( ADN article 7/17/19 by Zack Field) from 8<sup>\$</sup> to 5<sup>\$</sup>.  
Seems like a reasonable action to take to put the citizens of Alaska FIRST instead of the OIL COMPANIES!
- 4) Put Alaska FIRST. Support non-profit that help the poor, support health care for all Alaskans, support our University and support law Enforcement.

Do what you were elected to do - the right thing for Alaska!

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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Please enter into the record my testimony to the AK Legislature  
Committee on Finance Committee Name  
Bill / Subject Dated 7/11/19

I'm 100% AGAINST the vetoes Gov. Dunleavy has proposed. As a Registered Nurse, I believe everyone deserves the right to quality healthcare and education. ~~Entertainment~~ Cutting the budget to so many programs that are crucial to someone's well-being is completely unacceptable.

As we should be implementing programs that benefit more Alaskans & empowering them to become successful & healthy individuals.

Why are we giving tax credits to oil companies, but taking away an ALASKANS right to quality education, healthcare, & safety? Do your job Gov. Dunleavy, and that means putting Alaskans first!

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the

House Finance Committee

Committee on

2001

Committee Name

Bill / Subject

Dated

7/17/19

To The Committee,

I am a 44 year resident of Fairbanks. In all my time here I have never been fearful of the future. I fully support HB 2001 and hope that there will be enough votes to override the Governor's, no doubt, pending

VETO.

If we allow 17 legislatures and the Governor to dictate the future of our great state the damage will be felt for decades.

Please vote in favor of this Bill

Sincerely  
Terry Duszyński

SIGNED:

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the

House finance

Committee on HB 2001, budget cuts

Committee Name

Bill / Subject

Dated July 17 2019

These cuts to Alaska organization, education, support services and more are a catastrophic mistake which a slightly bigger dividend won't even slightly address.

Everyone in Alaska will be negatively affected, especially our most vulnerable. These cuts are terrible for the economy, for children, the environment, the ability of Alaska to recruit & retain talent, for everyone who lives here.

I grew up in Fairbanks and have returned to settle back into the community as a dentist. I am afraid for this state & our people if the budget is not restored.

Thank you,

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Finance  
Committee Name  
Committee on HB 2001 Dated 7.17.2019  
Bill / Subject

I support HB 2001 in its

- addressing the Governor's veto to the Budget
- fulfilling funding the capital Budget.
- determining the amount of the PFD (to a reasonable amt that sustains the fund)
- returning the Rndy to performing Scholarships
- returning the priority to power cost equalization

I support funding ~~UAF~~ Campus  
Health Care  
Social Services  
the arts,  
public media  
law enforcement,

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myself and my family  
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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Finance

Committee on HB 2001

Committee Name

Dated 7-17-19

Bill / Subject

please support HB 2001

\* Do not sacrifice our future to the benefit of corporations.

- TAX the oil companies
- Progressive income tax
- a "luxury" sales tax - (exempt food-water-and basic clothing, basic necessities etc.)
- legislators must represent all Alaskans not just those in their district.
- education is critical to our success
- cutting the university drastically will have a negative ripple effect on our community & small businesses.
  
- Arts make our lives better
- invest in agriculture
- Keep our cities & villages safe
- Keep our water safe & clean, our land safe & clean
- Support our elders
- Support the homeless
- support our weak & vulnerable
- support climate change research & strategies for adapting

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KRISTEN SCHUPP

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the HB 2001  
Committee on HOUSE FINANCE Committee Name  
Bill / Subject Dated 7/17/19

RESCIND SB 21 AND HAVE  
THE OIL COMPANIES SUPPORT OUR  
STATE SINCE WE HAVE SUPPORTED  
THEM (FOR TOO long!)! IT IS  
ONLY FAIR TO GET OUR TURN  
AT ACCESSING OUR RESOURCE  
VALUE TO ALASKANS.

[RESCIND SB 21]

SIGNED:

Hael Mayer  
Testifier

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Finance

Committee on HB 301 - overall budget

Committee Name

Bill / Subject

Dated 7/17/19

I have lived in Alaska since the mid 70's and have always been proud of the sense of cooperation among people of all backgrounds, political beliefs, and faiths.

I came here for a two year obligation and stayed for the rest of my life.

I have always loved the willingness to share people have and the arts and music that so many talented people provide. The University has provided so much to me personally through classes, other <sup>community</sup> programs and especially the music department. I cannot imagine it all ending. Please find a compromise and fund all of these exceptional opportunities that we have. Thank you very much.

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HB 2001 HFIN 7/17/19

7/17/19

1) Molly Sherman- self 3167 Shelly St, Fairbanks 99709  
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2) Greetings – Good Afternoon

3) I support HB 2001, the revised budget that works to address the line item vetoes Governor Dunleavy has threatened.

4) If the many and drastic line item vetoes Gov. Dunleavy has identified are not diminished my community of College, Alaska will face irrevocable negative impacts. If the cuts to UAF are not reduced the loss of jobs alone will be devastating.

PASS THE CAPITAL Budget

5) In my small neighborhood there are six people I know of who are either employed by the University of Alaska or currently enrolled as UAF students and near completion.

I myself have been employed at the Patty Pool – my first job as a teenager. The pride of gainful employment and a chance to be on a University campus are strong, positive memories. I have held other jobs – with Summer Sessions as an instructor and in the Art Department to name just two.

My BA is from UAF. The quality of my education really hit home when I applied for graduate school during my first summer at Middlebury's Breadloaf School English. Imagine my surprise when much of the demanding coursework and upper level readings were many I had already encountered and explored in my undergraduate classes. UAF gave me an education that rivalled those of my peers. Students from Brown, Antioch, Harvard, Columbia, UCLA and other bigger, more prestigious colleges.

The University of Alaska has nurtured my academic and personal growth, brought a vast array of valuable people into Alaska and continues to enrich College and Fairbanks with world class researchers, a fabulous Symphony, practical agricultural and engineering jobs and teaching, along with a vibrant arts community.

Without a thriving University both Fairbanks and the entire state of Alaska will wither and devolve into a place with little depth and fewer opportunities to make a living, learn, share and build a solid future.

6) Conclusion: I urge you to support HB 2001 and further to override Gov. Dunleavy's disastrous vetoes. Your courage, foresight and action is needed to stop the decimation of our state.

7) Thanks to this committee for the opportunity to speak



# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Finance Committee  
Committee on HB 7001 Committee Name  
Bill / Subject Dated 7/17/19

ALASKA IS BEING HELD HOSTAGE BY THE GOVERNOR AND A MINORITY WITHIN THE LEGISLATURE. THE RANSOM THEY ARE DEMANDING IS PAYMENT OF A FULL PFD DIVIDEND.

I URGE YOU NOT TO PAY RANSOM MONEY.

NOT ONE DOLLAR SHOULD GO TO A PFD DIVIDEND UNTIL A RESPONSIBLE OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET IS FUNDED AND SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR.

IF YOU APPROVE PAYMENT OF ANY PFD DIVIDEND, YOU LOSE YOUR LEVERAGE OVER THE GOVERNOR AND THE LEGISLATIVE MINORITY THAT SUPPORTS PAYMENT OF A FULL PFD DIVIDEND OVER ALL PUBLIC SERVICES.

DO NOT NEGOTIATE WITH ECONOMIC TERRORISTS.

SIGNED: STEVE MCGRATH  
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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the

Committee on HB 2001

Bill / Subject

Committee Name

Dated 7-17-2007

I fully support this bill!!!

SIGNED:

Renehth Abramomowich

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Finance Committee  
Committee Name  
Committee on House Bill 2001 Dated 7-17-19  
Bill / Subject

I support House Bill 2001 in its entirety. As an educator who has worked in Fairbanks & several rural communities, I believe the Governor's proposed vetoes would harm our children, families, economy, and the elderly. "The sweeps" to our future leaders - through the Alaska Performance Scholarship - and to our numerous rural families with loss of funds to the energy account will be devastating.

The Legislature needs to stand united and vote for the PEOPLE who embody our great state.

Just as a house is simply a building, Alaska would just be a place without its people.

Let's work together in protecting the people who make Alaska a home.

SIGNED:

Sharon Lockwood

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Finance

Committee on HB 2001

Committee Name

Dated 7-17-2019

Bill / Subject

I Strongly Support passage of HB 2001.

Fully funding essential state services including  
the University of Alaska is essential to  
a vibrant healthy Alaska economy.

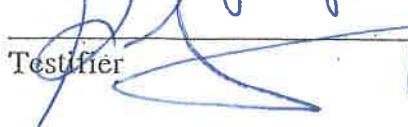
Please put the Alaskan people  
above party politics.

Failure to fund these essential  
services & institutions as provided by  
HB 2001 would be catastrophic  
to the future of Alaska.

AND as an aside, I am fully  
willing to provide an income tax to  
provide essential these services &  
the University!!

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Finance  
Committee Name  
Committee on HB 2001 Dated July 17, 2019  
Bill / Subject

Please don't cut the education funds for K-12 and the University. Seniors are a vulnerable group and need support.

Whenever I hear the acronym PFD I groan. I will give it up for all ~~eternity~~ eternity if you just figure away to save our state from this assault by Dunleavy. Its irresponsible and will not help our state grow.

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House Finance  
Committee on HB 2001 Committee Name  
Bill / Subject Dated July 17, 2019

I strongly support HB 2001.

The reasons should be obvious, but apparently  
they need to be restated:

Government does many necessary things.

They need to be funded, & they need to be  
funded first — before giving away money to  
individuals (PFD) and oil companies. If after  
the necessary functions have been funded, then  
any left-over money can be doled out in the  
form of PFDs.

Thank you very much

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Finance Committee  
 Committee Name  
 Committee on 2001 Dated 7/17/2009  
 Bill / Subject

My name is Alana Kilby. I've lived in Fairbanks as long as I can remember and ever since I started following state politics as a child, my education has been on the chopping block. Now attending UAF, it appears that things are no different. While everyone expected a cut, the cut to UA System is unprecedented and impossible to safely implement in one year. You had a fair budget and neglected to defend it from the Governor's vetoes. I call it the worst group project ever.

Education is a value of Alaska and UA System is tightly integrated in our community, socially and economically.

In addition to these cuts, and what I am mainly here for are the students like myself who lost their promised scholarships, merit ones!, less than 2 months before the semester starts. This makes things difficult for students - 41% cut and loss of scholarship

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Finance  
Committee Name  
Committee on HB 2001 Dated June 17, 2019  
Bill / Subject

You were each elected to serve your constituency but also everyone in the great state of Alaska. This recent gutting of our basic institutions is a sweeping downgrade of the fabric of lives. HB 2001 addresses a hopeful safety net for our standard services - education, health, safety, arts and infrastructure. Avoid the horrible consequences of the Governor's veto.  
Please support HB 2001

SIGNED:

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the HB 2001

Committee on

The Operating Budget

Committee Name

Dated July 17, 2019

Please Stop this madness. Bill / Subject Fair banks

I've lived in Alaska since 1966, and this governing chaos is the worst I've seen.

I'm wife, mother, grandmother, a graduate of UAF and former faculty member there and a writer, active in the arts community and a person who loves Alaska.

We cannot accept these mindless and harmful vetoes of the very programs that make Alaska strong. The \$3000 dividend will hurt ~~most~~ the needy people our governor says he hopes to help. (1) ~~\$3,000~~ <sup>per year</sup> will decimate the PFD fund. ~~The PFD fund~~ will be far ~~smaller~~ and earn far less interest after this giveaway. (2) Those who ~~support~~ it, will end up giving away 25% or more to the IRS and the federal government; This money is better kept in Alaska. (3) What will become of Denali Kidcare? (Which so many parents & families NEED—and which benefits the entire state)

Remember, it's part of Medicaid, a HIP program. (4) Decimating our state by eliminating ASCA, cutting Head Start is ~~wrong~~, cutting college scholarships promised is WRONG, save our fine arctic university ~~This student~~ <sup>weakens us all</sup>. Modern life requires a good education. Cuts to any level of education hurt us all. (5) Cutting VPSOs = ANGEL ~~PEE~~ = <sup>0</sup> ~~0~~

Governor Dunleavy's budget shoots our state in the foot. Don't accept it! Don't do it! Tax me! Tax the oil companies! Come together to reinstate the sensible budget the legislature originally presented. Work together in a nonpartisan way as Alaskans. Cooperate! Save our state.

SIGNED:

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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the AK state representatives

Committee on HB 2001 / Restore funding Committee Name  
Bill / Subject Dated 7/11/19

Hello my name is Shelby McCahon and I reside in House District 6C. I strongly oppose the veto & am in full support for restoring the funds with the HB 2001, even if it results in a decreased amount of PFD money or from the implementation of a statewide income tax. These cuts proposed by governor Dunleavy will have severe short & long-term consequences for higher education in AK. It will result in campus closures, layoffs of faculty & tenured professors, dozens of programs being cut, & tuition prices to increase. These cuts will affect thousands of students & may discourage current & new students from attending a higher education in Alaska. On top of these cuts, there will also be a loss of federal money & grants, which impacts researchers internationally. As an aspiring scientist, I am very concerned. I am an undergraduate studying wildlife biology at UAF and this school has changed my life so much. Another huge concern of mine is the loss of accreditation for our universities. We cannot let this happen! As a high school graduate of Alaska, I decided to not pursue a higher education in AK because of the APS. It very much concerns me that the APS, WWAMI, & the AK Education Grant may get cut. Over 12,000 students benefit from these programs, & these programs encourage AK's, to pursue a higher education in AK & to join the future workforce of AK. Save our state! (Restore the funds)

SIGNED:

  
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# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Finance Committee

Committee on 2019-HB2001  
Bill / Subject

Committee Name

Dated 7/17/19

When I was young, my family fell upon a time where ends didn't meet, so my parents took on second jobs. My dad, who was a professional engineer, took on an evening & weekend job as a gas station attendant. My mom, who was an oral surgery assistant took a part-time job working at a bridal & formal wear boutique. They found another source of revenue so they could continue providing food & shelter for our family, so they could continue fitting to our church, so they could continue giving to those in need & continue saving for our college education.

My husband & I chose to move to Fairbanks because we fell in love with the community here, the way people took care of each other & celebrated each other. We chose to build a house & raise our two young children here & give back to our community. I want to go on record that I am willing to have our family pay an income tax or ~~lose~~ receive a smaller PFD in order for Alaska, all of us — the people of Alaska, to continue to provide funding to organizations that support our community by providing food & shelter to the homeless; food, education, & healthcare services to our children, help to our elderly; so we can continue to create beauty & music ~~the~~ and culture through Arts programs, so we can continue to give the youth of Alaska a chance at higher education.

- River cost equalization  
- Ferry system

Please restore funding to organizations such as the Fairbanks Rescue Mission, Alaska Children's Trust, Medicaid for the Elderly, the Alaska State ~~and~~ Arts Council, the University of Alaska & especially the scholarships students were depending on for the 2019-2020 School year. Loosing these ~~is~~ is not worth an extra ~~too~~ large PFD.

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