



## House Bill 233

**“An Act relating to the display of documents on an electronic device.”**

### Sponsor Statement

We as consumers enjoy the benefits of having access to information in the palm of our hand. The State of Alaska recognizes the demand for mobile device use and is currently in the process of allowing users to provide proof of state required documents such as licenses, permits and insurance to a peace officer via mobile device.

We Alaskans also treasure our privacy and have enshrined that right in our state constitution under Article 1 sec. 22 Right to Privacy- The right of the people to privacy is recognized and shall not be infringed.

HB 233 safeguards the privacy of individuals who display any state required document to peace officers by ensuring that displaying proof of a required document does not constitute consent for a peace officer to access other contents of the electronic device.

In laymen’s terms, if a Wildlife Trooper asks to see your fishing license, the Trooper does not automatically have a right to search other content on your device. You must give permission for the Trooper to view anything besides the license required by law.

The two examples of this already specified in statute are in AS.28.22.019 (d) pertaining to the display of proof of motor vehicle liability insurance, and AS 03.05.078 (b) pertaining to display of proof of registration when transporting industrial hemp.