

**Stuart Relay**

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**From:** Peggy Mullen [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 17, 2026 3:21 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Alyse's bill

Please pass out of committee, the non-discrimination bill.

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[REDACTED]  
Soldotna, AK 99669

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 17, 2026 11:58 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Rebecca Bartee  
Homer, AK 99603-7344

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**From:** Karen H <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 15, 2026 3:08 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Sen. Jesse Kiehl; Rep. Andi Story  
**Subject:** HB 301 opposed

I am opposed to HB301, not because of its over all intent to make illegal discrimination of any kind with respective especially to housing, but I am not in favor of this without amendments that protect religious freedoms, safe places for women especially for those who have had penis' used as a weapon and have mental health issues as well.

I think its in advisable to use Terminology that is not REAL and perpetuate an ideology that will promote language deceptions. With proper care and amendments I support nondiscrimination in private spaces and reserve religious freedoms to practice their faith and beliefs without corruption of their moral codes.

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, May 15, 2026 12:06 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQIA+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Janessa Reamey  
Anchorage, AK 99508-4700

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:32 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Tonya Jones  
Anchorage, AK 99507-3637

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**From:** Kt H [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:11 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** House bill 301

Hi

I was unable to join the call today as I was working but I wanted to write to add my support for this bill protecting the LGBTQ + community with regards to discrimination and equal opportunities for all Alaskans.

We live in a state that very much supports Individual rights and those rights should extend to anyone regardless of a difference in beliefs, presentation and who they love.

Thank you for your consideration.

Katie Hickman, MSW.

Anchorage Alaska resident.

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**From:** Bridget Paule [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 9:18 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** Support HB 301

Dear Affairs Committee:

I'm writing in support of HB 301. I believe the additions in this bill are very important to ensure that all our Alaska citizens are protected by law. Regardless of what we think of anyone's personal decisions or characteristics, all human beings should have basic rights to non-discrimination enshrined in law. Our communities can be stronger for their diversity but the state needs to set a high bar and lead by example. HB 301 is our best opportunity to do this. It will be especially powerful and meaningful in this time of increasing meanness and marginalization of minority groups. Please support this effort.

Regards,

Bridget Paule

[REDACTED]  
Anchorage, AK 99517

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**From:** Jasmine Maurer [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 9:12 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin; Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Subject:** Support for HB301

Hello,

I am writing to voice my strong support of HB301. Every human being deserves to be treated with dignity and respect and have the same opportunities available to them as the next person. Everyone should be protected equally under the law. Human is human and each of us are a blessing and a gift just as we are. I support any legislation that is intended to fight against discrimination and inequalities. I ask that as my representative you do the same. Thank you for your time.

Jasmine Maurer  
60203 Bear Creek  
Homer, AK

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**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 9:11 PM  
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Homer, AK

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**From:** Louis maurer [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:56 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin; Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Subject:** support for HB301

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Regards,  
Louis Maurer

[REDACTED]  
Homer, AK 99603

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**From:** Phaethon [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 6:45 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

My name is Timothy Anderson and I am a resident of Eagle River AK I am emailing because I was unable to make the virtual meeting. I would like to express my support of the bill seeing as it extends protections for LGBTQ rights. I was surprised to learn that a law like this does not already exist so we are obviously already in the wrong. Please rectify this mistake as soon as possible.

V/R,  
Timothy Anderson

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 5:25 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Torah Harding-Laman  
Ketchikan, AK 99901-6153

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 4:28 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Eric Schneider  
Fairbanks, AK 99712-1530

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 4:04 PM  
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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Julie Schmidt  
Eagle River, AK 99577-8571

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I urge you to support HB 301 and help Alaska, and our country remain a democracy.

Sincerely,  
Paris Taylor  
Wasilla, AK 99623-9888

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**From:** Amy Holman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 3:15 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support for HB301

Good afternoon,

My name is Amy Holman and I live in Anchorage. I may not be able to get to the hearing today on HB301. I support this legislation to add sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression to Alaska's existing anti-discrimination law. It is important to do this at the state level to ensure Alaskan LGBTQ families are recognized at hospitals when their loved ones are needing care that children can be cared for by their non-biological parent (friends had to move from VA to MD because of this), and that we can't be fired for being who we are. Additionally this will protect Alaskans against any rollbacks at the federal level (my faith in federal judicial fairness and impartiality is eroding).

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this bill, Amy

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Kaile Hutton  
Ketchikan, AK 99901-6674

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 3:05 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** HB 301 - Non-Discrimination Bill

I support passage of this simple bill. Discrimination of any type should be prohibited by law.

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**From:** Shy H <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 3:04 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** Alaska's Equality Act - HOUSE BILL 301

Hello,

I am emailing today to express support for this anti-discrimination house bill 301. I am a nurse who lives and works in Alaska, which has provided me the opportunity to work with our great communities. I believe that discrimination has no place here in Alaska. The LGBTQ community adds vibrancy and makes positive improvements to everyone's lives, and I am grateful for them. My patients and community deserve the same rights and protections as all Alaskans. Please support this bill into law.

Thank you for your time and effort,

S. Horner.

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**From:** Alexis Howell [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 3:00 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support for HB301

As a 7 year resident of Fairbanks and a queer Army veteran, I am writing to express my strong support for HB301. Such a bill is long overdue and ensures that all Alaskans feel safe in our beautiful state!

Respectfully,

**Alexis Howell | Managing Attorney**

[REDACTED]  
Fairbanks, AK 99709

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**From:** Santa Claus [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 2:57 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** PUBLICTESTIMONY ON HB 301: NON-DISCRIMINATION

**Importance:** High

### **PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON HB 301: NON-DISCRIMINATION**

**House State Affairs Chair and Committee Members:**

**Please note that this is my public testimony on Alaska House Bill 301: Non-Discrimination.**

**I support Alaska State Representative Alyse Galvin's HB 301 that adds sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression to the law, making protections across the state more consistent and inclusive.**

**And, I wholeheartedly agree with Representative Galvin that: "All are welcome to work, live, raise their family safely here in Alaska, no matter their race, religion, color, national origin, sex, or sexual orientation."**

**As Representative Galvin notes: House Bill 301 helps ensure that people cannot be denied opportunities or treated unfairly because of who they are or how they express their gender, can help protect people from being unfairly denied housing or targeted in real estate practices, and increases the likelihood that individuals and families will feel secure, respected, and included in their communities, when discrimination is prohibited by law.**

**Thank you for your consideration. I trust that you will support HB 301.**

**Santa Claus**

[REDACTED]  
**North Pole, AK 99705**  
[REDACTED]

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**From:** Alison Hillman Mackreth [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 2:43 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301 - Non-Discrimination Bill

Dear esteemed Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, When my first child was born 17 years ago, I never in a million years would have suspected that he would, one day, come out to us as transgendered. And while my best friend is transgendered, I thought that by just knowing someone who was transgendered things would be a little bit easier, by having an idea of what to expect. It did not.

My husband and I had to learn how to navigate various agencies' bureaucracy in order to for our son to legally transition to the person he truly is. These included state and federal entities, such as the state's vital statistics department and the Social Security Administration. The process to change my son's name with a court order literally took months.

My point is, the HB-301 is something needed to help protect those who may be transgendered, or any other sexual identity that does not conform with mainstream views. This bill would ensure the safety for members of the LBGTQ+ community, and members of any other marginalized community, by preventing the discrimination against being denied housing or employment opportunities. If cis-gendered, heterosexual people like my husband and myself have a hard time navigating legal red tape, just on the behalf of someone else, just think of how difficult the lack of HB-301 will make life for someone who does not have family support, only because the person does not conform to mainstream societal gendered norms.

Please vote Yes for this bill. It will broaden the safety measures for some of the most vulnerable members of the community. When they feel safe, they become more productive members of society. It will be a win-win for everyone.

Thank you for your time in this matter.  
Sincerely,  
Alison Mackreth of Palmer, Alaska

Eight words of the law fulfill, An ye harm none, do what ye will.

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**From:** Keeley Olson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 2:39 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** HB 301

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

Please support this simple bill that makes clear Alaska is a welcoming and inclusive place that supports safety, equity, and protections from discrimination *for all*.

Kindly,

**Keeley Olson**  
Executive Director  
Standing Together Against Rape (**STAR**)  
1057 W. Fireweed Lane | Suite 230 | Anchorage, AK 99503



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**From:** G Nelson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 2:36 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin; Rep. Genevieve Mina; Rep. Andy Josephson  
**Subject:** In support of HB 301

Good afternoon,

I am writing in support of HB 301 and ask that you also support this important legislation. HB 301 acknowledges and protects one the most important tenants of our democracy; equal rights and specifically helps to ensure that people cannot be denied opportunities or treated unfairly because of how they express their gender. Everyone deserves to feel safe and participate in all aspects of public life without the fear of discrimination.

By adding sexual orientation and gender identity to our current non-discrimination language we support our family members, neighbors and friends.

Thank you,  
Gretchen Nelson  
Anchorage, Alaska

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**From:** Maureen Longworth <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 2:36 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

Today I dust off my testimonies and emails given over the past 30 years. You want stories, personal discrimination stories? Unfortunately we don't have enough time in 2 minutes to include all of mine. Do you have time to gather all the stories of Alaskan loss and heartbreak imposed by a state that doesn't include all of us as equals?

I am a physician, recruited to Juneau in 1992. Interviewed by two practices here I turned down private practice where I would have had a higher salary and where my family would likely have been covered by their private health insurance plan. I believed in providing equal high quality medical care to all regardless of insurance status or income so I accepted a SEARHC job instead. I was only their first doctor who requested to insure a same gender spouse. I requested health benefits for both of us every year and every year right up to the time I left them 13 years later they ignored my requests.

My wife was recruited by the state and was one of the career counselors who opened the Juneau Job Center out by the Brotherhood Bridge. Her state insurance also would not cover me. After spending over \$10,000 in copayments and travel for needed medical care that would have been covered for other families but not ours, we sued the state of Alaska and in 2007 won equal health benefits. That was 19 years ago, and 15 years after we moved here.

So why am I here testifying today? How can they take away benefits we already fought for and won? It's because we never have been given equal protection under the law of our state. They can still pick our community apart, excluding us from medical care policies, housing protection, job protection because our state does not extend equality for all Alaskan families. They still have us marginalized into a separate category that doesn't have the security of equal rights.

Over these past 35 years every respected medical society: Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Psychiatry and the AMA all agree that the healthiest American communities are those where equal rights are protected or all citizens. The Alaska Family Medicine Association advises the same.

Why would our legislators choose anything but equality for all Alaskans? There is no evidence that any other choice benefits anyone. Yet these equality bills have not passed prior to now so here we are again.

You are the legislators that are being given the opportunity now to hit the home run, and bring Alaska up to the standard it has always deserved. Please vote for equality and push HB301 though now.

Respectfully,

Dr. Maureen Longworth

[REDACTED]

Juneau, AK 99802

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**From:** Sue Keller <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 2:35 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** In favor of HB301

Dear House State Affairs members

I am in favor of HB 301. This legislation would protect individuals from discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression. Currently, these groups are not fully protected under Alaska's existing statewide anti-discrimination law. HB 301 would add sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression to the law, making protections across the state more consistent and inclusive.

Adding sexual orientation and gender identity or expression makes the law more inclusive and better reflects modern protections against discrimination. This is important to me, my friends and my community.

Thank you for your consideration.

Carolyn Keller  
1913 Raven Dr  
Fairbanks, AK 99709

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**From:** Pam Weaver [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 2:20 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

Thank you for this opportunity. I fully support adding in protections for gender/sexual identify. This insures for real non-discrimination, which is so important these days and is an honest representation of our community.

Pamela Weaver  
[REDACTED]

Fairbanks, AK 99709  
Sent from my iPad

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**From:** MARY SZCZEPANSKI [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 2:17 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** equal rights

Please protect equal rights for all.  
Mary Szczepanski  
[REDACTED]  
Juneau AK 99801

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**From:** Kelsey [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 1:23 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Fwd: HB 301 Discrimination on Gender Identity and Sexual Orientation - Strong Support

Good afternoon,

My name is Kelsey Eschenbach, and I am a resident of Anchorage, Alaska in District 21-K. I am writing you today to declare my strong support of HB 301 An Act relating to and prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression. It is essential for all Alaskan's to be protected when seeking to meet their basic needs such as housing. These protections make our community safer, stronger, and able to attract and retain long term residents.

As you hear public testimony today, I add my voice to urge you to please vote yes on passing HB 301.

Thank you for your time,  
Kelsey Eschenbach

[REDACTED]

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**From:** Christina Chamberlain [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 1:21 PM  
**To:** State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** Yes! On HB301

Good Afternoon,

I urge you to support HB301, to support equal rights for all Alaskans, and to promote fairness and decency. I trust these sentiments speak for themselves.

Thank you,

Christina Chamberlain  
[REDACTED]  
Anchorage, AK. 99501

Sent from my iPad

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 1:03 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Selah Bauer  
Valdez, AK 99686

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**From:** james dryden [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 1:01 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** HB 301 - Non-Discrimination Bill

I support this bill.

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James Dryden [REDACTED], Anchorage, AK 99507

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**From:** Sara Thomas [REDACTED] >  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 12:56 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** Support for HB 301

Good afternoon,

I am writing to voice my strong support for HB 301, the non-discrimination bill introduced by Rep. Galvin. The thing I like the very best about my upbringing in Alaska is the diversity of cultures and ways of being that I was able to experience. The warmth, friendliness, creativity and open-mindedness of Alaska's people make it a wonderful place to live still.

I strongly believe no one should be treated unfairly or denied opportunities based on race, religion, color, national origin, sex or sexual orientation. Stronger legal protections in these areas would make communities stronger & safer, and more aligned with the broadly-shared Alaskan values of freedom of expression and respect for all peoples.

Thank you ~ Quyanaqpak,

**Sara Sigiñiq Thomas (she/her)**  
**Environmental Justice Organizer**  
**Alaska Community Action on Toxics (ACAT)**  
**1225 East International Airport Rd. Suite 220, Anchorage, Alaska 99518**  
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**From:** Gmail [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 12:39 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Comments for HB301

To whom it may concern,

I wanted to urge the legislature to support HB301 as I believe it can ensure the wide diverse population we have as a state has opportunities for housing without fear of being shut out due to their sexual orientation or gender identity. I feel if this passes it will continue to display Alaska as a welcoming place for people to visit and move to. I grew up in Alaska and left to Seattle in 2016 but knew I wanted to come back here as it is my home and I am proud of the state. I have enjoyed being back in my home state and wish for everyone to enjoy all the opportunities that have been afforded to me

Christopher Rounds  
[REDACTED]

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Rev. Ellen Johnson-Price [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 12:30 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

Dear legislators,

I am writing to urge your support for HB 301, which will have a positive affect on some of the most vulnerable residents of our state. As a faith leader who believes in the inherent worth of each and every person, I believe that we must protect the rights of all Alaskans, regardless of their race, ethnicity, or religion, or their sex or sexual identity. Adding these final parts to current non-discrimination policy is important because our current law allows people to be treated unfairly through no fault of their own. Protecting people from injustice is the right thing to do, and it aligns with our democratic values as Americans and our caring values as Alaskan neighbors. Please support HB 301.

Sincerely,

Rev. Ellen Johnson-Price

Pastor of Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Anchorage

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 12:25 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

This is a form letter mailing but also a plea from a parent to show leadership with compassion. The next generation is learning about civil rights first hand through legislation currently considered. Which side of history do you want to be on. Discrimination is ugly and privilege is not knowing it's power. Give our society the tools to be fair and accountable. For valuing people as human beings and treating all with respect. Please support civil rights for ALL Alaskans.

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
NINA Talawva  
Ketchikan, AK 99901

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Anna Bosin [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 12:19 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Sen. Löki Tobin; Rep. Alyse Galvin; Rep. Zack Fields  
**Subject:** I support HB 301 - Non-Discrimination Bill

I support House Bill 301 because it strengthens Alaska's commitment to equal rights and fair treatment for all residents at a time when civil rights protections are increasingly being challenged across the country.

No Alaskan should face discrimination when seeking housing, employment, or access to public life. Housing discrimination harms not only individuals and families, but also communities as a whole. When people are unfairly denied housing opportunities or targeted in real estate practices, it creates instability, increases inequities, and places additional strain on public resources and taxpayers.

House Bill 301 modernizes and strengthens Alaska's civil rights laws by adding protections for sexual orientation and gender identity or expression. These updates make Alaska's laws more inclusive and reflective of contemporary standards of fairness and equal opportunity.

This legislation also supports safer, healthier communities. When discrimination is clearly prohibited by law, people are more likely to feel secure, respected, and able to fully participate in their neighborhoods, workplaces, and civic life.

Alaska has long valued independence, dignity, and treating people fairly. House Bill 301 upholds those values and helps ensure all Alaskans are protected equally under the law.

I respectfully urge your support for House Bill 301.

Anna Bosin  
Anchorage resident

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Susan Ritter [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 12:15 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Equal Rights

I support equal rights for all Alaskans. It does not matter how the person identifies as, everyone should be respected and provided equal protection.

Susan Ritter

[REDACTED]  
Anchorage, AK 99502

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Lisa Fiegel [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 11:50 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301

Dear Representative,

I am writing to ask you to support HB 301. As a Lutheran pastor and a mom here in Alaska, it's important to me that all people of Alaska have equal rights. I fully support including sex and sexual orientation under anti-discrimination laws. Thank you for making Alaska a safe and welcoming place for everyone.

Kind regards,  
Rev Lisa Smith Fiegel

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 11:45 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

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Please support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Heni Barnes  
Fairbanks, AK 99775-1117

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Lin Davis [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 11:36 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** HB 301 support

“We this people on a small and lonely planet...” Maya Angelou A BRAVE AND STARTLING TRUTH

In the 1970’s I happily taught high school in rural California. When the Brigg’s Initiative flooded the state and promised to remove gay teachers from public schools, I felt unsafe in my small town. When I saw parents scanning my singlehood and students carving “Mrs Davis is a dyke” in wooden desks. I resigned and devoted the next 55 years to LGBTQ civil rights.

Now at 84 years old and a 40 year Alaskan resident, I still want to live my life like everyone else. WE THIS PEOPLE.

I spent 15 years at the Juneau Job Center assisting rural residents with training and employment. I heard many stories of anti-gay hostility.

One young man through tears told of getting fired from his janitorial job when the boss saw him and his boyfriend eating sandwiches for dinner.

As a gay state worker I was paid less than my colleagues and could not include my wife on state health insurance. When 12 of us LGBTQ couples sued the state and won our case, it took another year and a half to get the benefits. And the state charged us \$140 monthly, an imputed tax. No straight couples got charged that tax.

WE, THIS PEOPLE.

Between 2014 and 2019 the Alaska Department of Revenue specialized in new LGBTQ discrimination: ABC News April 13, 2021 ran the headline: “Alaska denied benefits to gay couples despite court ruling. Alaska targeted same-sex military couples and denied the yearly PFD to their families.

When 4 families sued, the state released 800 emails showing Revenue efforts to keep incorrect language in state literature and indicating 40 Alaskans had been denied PFDs.

The denial letters referenced an outdated and unenforceable state statute. The emails also mentioned that state programmers fiddled with the computer system, denying LGBTQ Alaskans their PFDs.

In 2017 a deputy Revenue director ordered everyone to stop these denials- they continued two more years.

It is risky for us elders to live in Alaska. Many of us have faced a lifetime of vicious acts. We are reminded that some of our neighbors do not welcome us. On this small and lonely planet we want to live our lives like everyone else.

It’s time. Thank you for supporting HB 301 and ushering it to bill-hood.

Lin Davis  
[REDACTED]  
Juneau 99801

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Shannon [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 11:33 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Testimony for HB 301

Dear Members of the House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my strong support for House Bill 301. Ensuring that everyone is treated fairly and equally is a fundamental principle, and this legislation is a critical step toward affirming the rights of our LGBTQIA+ neighbors to fairness and belonging throughout our state.

By passing this bill, we affirm that all individuals are welcome and respected in our communities. Promoting inclusivity not only supports the LGBTQIA+ community but also strengthens the social fabric of our entire state. As residents of one of the most diverse states in the nation, we should lead the way in safeguarding the diversities that make our state great.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Shannon Criss  
Palmer, AK

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Erika King [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 11:12 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** Public testimony - HB301

Hello,

My name is Erika King, and I am a resident of Juneau. I'd like to thank the committee for hearing public comments. I am respectfully requesting that you support HB301, the bill that would prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression.

LGBTQ+ Alaskans are friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers and should be treated no differently when it comes to earning a living wage, having a stable home, or being served by a business or government office. Nobody should have to worry about losing their home due to their sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, especially in Alaska's statewide housing crisis.

We know our LGBTQ+ community members are vibrant and loved in Alaska, and that discrimination towards any of us hurts all of us. Some communities have already adopted local non-discrimination protections, but a lot of communities haven't. We need to ensure equal treatment for all Alaskans across the state. Again, please support HB301 today, and thank you for taking public testimony.

Thank you,  
Erika King

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Courtland Brown [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 11:10 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Please support updated Non discrimination bill

Hello, I am a long time Alaskan and I very much support adding "sex" and "sexual orientation" as protected categories in our non-discrimination bill (HB 301).

We are overdue to update these protections. Alaska has long valued individual merit over categorical biases. I believe that is a frontier value woven into our culture. I am proud that Alaska passed civil rights protections, urged by Elizabeth Peratrovich, earlier than any other state.

Please update this bill to reflect our values of individual freedom and protect Alaskan citizens.

Courtland Brown  
Chugiak Alaska

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 11:09 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
William Mckenzie  
Fairbanks, AK 99709-5984

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Marsha Sousa [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 11:06 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin; Representative.Ashley.Carrick@akleg.ov  
**Subject:** HB301

I strongly support HB301, a bill that updates our nondiscrimination laws to prevent all people, including our LGBTQ2S+ friends and family, from discrimination in housing, employment, and financial opportunities. This is personally important to me as I have many friends and family members who are gay, bisexual, and transgender. These are productive members of our society - doctors, attorneys, therapists, teachers, musicians, engineers, veterinarians, and more. They deserve the same rights and privileges as everyone else - not because they are special, but just because they are. I encourage you to vote in favor of HB301. It is important. It is Alaskan - where we value independence and respect. Thank you.

Marsha Sousa  
[REDACTED]  
Fairbanks 99709

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:57 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Jessica Wallin  
Ketchikan, AK 99901-6225

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:51 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Cc:** 'Col Lockard'; Annaka Lockard; Debbie Lockard  
**Subject:** HB-301 comments

Committee members-

I am an Alaskan and writing to strongly support Representative Galvin's bill, HB-301. I know many LGBTQ+ Alaskans. They are wonderful people, great fellow citizens, and deserve the same rights as other Alaskans.

Alaska has so many big issues and problems that it is too bad we need to spend time defending Alaskans who are not a threat to anyone, but here we are. Please pass this bill and then focus on real problems like education funding, sexual assault, child abuse, and new revenue sources.

Thank you,  
David Lockard  
[REDACTED]

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Nina D'Andrade [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:46 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

Greetings Alaska Legislature,

Please vote to approve HB 301, the non-discrimination bill. I believe that all Alaskans should have equal rights and be treated fairly no matter their gender expression or who they choose for their partners.

I know how important such protections are because I came out in the 1980s and I experienced discrimination. Someone once tried to run me over because I was crossing the street holding hands with another woman. I was denied housing because the landlord didn't want to rent to the "gays". In the 1990s when I worked as a teacher I lived in fear, lived in the closet, because I was worried that I might lose my job if people discovered I was gay. It was a justified fear—the teacher I replaced had to leave the school for that reason.

In many ways things have gotten better, but we still need these protections. For example, my wife and I have a nephew we are concerned about, because his father is struggling with addiction, but we don't want to report to OCS, because we worry that if he was removed from his home he wouldn't be placed with us because we are a gay couple.

It is time for all Alaskans to have the same rights, the same protections. Please pass HB 301, so that we make sure no Alaskans have to suffer discrimination for any reason.

Respectfully,  
Nina D'Andrade

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Lisa Idell-Sassi [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:46 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

For the record, I wanted to see my opposition to HB 301.

I hope my Juneau legislative reps care about the voices who oppose this legislation that they are supporting.

Lisa Idell-Sassi  
[REDACTED]  
Juneau, AK 99801

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## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Gail Heineman <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:39 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301

Honorable House Representatives,

I have lived in Alaska since 1981.

I support HB 301, prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression.  
We Alaskans should not be afraid of peacefully coexisting with all of our fellow humans of all descriptions.

Sincerely,

Gail Heineman

[REDACTED]  
Anchorage AK 99502

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## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:30 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Jiin Chung  
Ketchikan, AK 99901-5314

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:29 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** support HB 301 - Non-Discrimination Bill

Life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness - this is a right assured by all Alaskans in the Declaration of Independence. We need to make sure this is available to all Alaskans, too. When these rights are limited to people solely because of sexual orientation, gender identity and/or gender expression it is a very unamerican thing to do. These rights should be available and protected for all.

thank you for listening  
Barbara Knapp

[REDACTED]  
Anchorage, AK 99507

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:28 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Sheila Kelly  
Wasilla, AK 99654-0650

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:24 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Amanda Alguire-Gannon  
Ketchikan, AK 99901-9627

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:21 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Jeff Sloss  
Juneau, AK 99801-8435

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Larri Spengler [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:17 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** YES on HB 301

Greetings:

I urge you to support HB 301, a bill that will promote non-discrimination. This goal is surely consistent with who we are as Alaskans!

Thank you.

Larri Spengler

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Larri Irene Spengler

[REDACTED]  
Juneau, Alaska 99801  
[REDACTED]

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:17 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Laura Knight  
Wasilla, AK 99654-8083

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** nancynkevin [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:15 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

Vote yes on this bill. There's no room for personal bias! Equal rights are equal rights; there's no qualifier here! Particularly, in today's climate, everyone needs and deserves a level playing field!

Nancy Racek

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:15 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Helen Malley  
Anchorage, AK 99517-1332

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:13 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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In 2020, Ketchikan City Council unanimously passed a nondiscrimination ordinance, becoming only the fourth city in Alaska to ban discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression. Alaska still lacks statewide protections for LGBTQ+ people. Everyone deserves protection from discrimination. Let's protect all Alaskans regardless of where they live.

Queer Alaskans like me support this bill because we are your valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Ryan McHale  
Ketchikan, AK 99901-6355

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** nancynkevin [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:11 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

I support this bill! Equal rights is meant to apply to all, not just those who fall into some arb category. LGBTQ+ are just trying to live their best lives, like the rest of us. There's no legit reason to single them out to be discriminated

against. Just vote for the bill and leave whatever prejudices you might have out of your decision!

Nancy Racek

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Bonnie Demerjian [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:11 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** HB 301

Dear Alaska House Representatives,

We urge you to pass HB 301 to help ensure that all Alaskans are welcome to work, live, raise their family safely here in Alaska, no matter their race, religion, color, national origin, sex, or sexual orientation. Passage of this bill will support safer and more welcoming Alaskan communities and reflects modern protections against discrimination.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Demerjian

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:09 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

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I urge you to support HB 301. This is long overdue!

Sincerely,  
Emily Kloc  
Anchorage, AK 99517-2223

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 10:02 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Scott Crisp  
Chugiak, AK 99567-5426

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** KAREN HANSEN [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 9:58 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Non-discrimination bill

Every Alaska – in fact every American, should not fear of retribution or discrimination – we are all equal in the eyes of our constitution! Please make sure that you remember to protect our citizens in this great state! Thank you - Karen Hansen – 54 year Alaskan!!

Karen R. Hansen, LUTCF  
Investment Advisor Representative  
**Osaic Wealth, Inc.**

[REDACTED]  
Anchorage, AK 99501  
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## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Allison Blechman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 9:41 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

My name is Allison Blechman and I live in Fairbanks, Alaska and I am writing to support HB 301, which will be heard in the House State Affairs Committee today. I am 100% behind this bill, which will protect individuals from discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression. There is absolutely no reason that these groups should not be fully protected under Alaska's existing anti-discrimination law. Please vote for this bill to be passed ASAP.

Thank you

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Hope Meyn [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 9:35 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** HB 301 written testimony

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to testify in support of HB 301. Adding protections for equal rights for all, including based on sexual orientation and expression, is essential at the state level as we see federal civil rights and equal protections threatened under the current federal administration. It is long overdue that Alaska ensure that our neighbors have equal housing protections under state law. When I think of my neighbors that this would protect, I think of my current neighbors just a few blocks away, an engineer and a GIS specialist. I think of my old roommates, an ER nurse and a nurse anesthesiologist. I think of my husband's friend and coworker, an x-ray technologist. I think of my sibling, a teacher. These are hard working Alaskans who are essential to our community, and they deserve to have the same basic, equal rights as everyone else.

I ask that you vote yes on HB 301 today in recognition that we are all created equal, and deserve to have that equality enshrined in our law.

Sincerely,

Hope Meyn  
Rogers Park constituent

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Emily Kane [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 9:25 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs; rep.alysegalvin@akleg.gov  
**Subject:** HB 301

Every human deserves the right to thrive and flourish. Please pass this bill to make sure women and queer folk get equal and fair treatment and opportunities.

Thank you!

**Dr Emily Kane**  
**Juneau**

*I have closed my practice. Perhaps you will find help on my website:*

[REDACTED]

**Be well!**

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Tam Agosti-Gisler <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 9:20 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** HB 301

Dear Representatives:

Please protects equal rights for Alaskans! HB 301 prevents housing discrimination and promotes fairness and dignity. This bill would protect individuals from discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression. Currently, these groups are not fully protected under Alaska's existing statewide anti-discrimination law.

As a nonpartisan member of Rotary International, our 4-way tests asks us:

- Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

I believe this bill passes the test.

Sincerely,  
Tam Agosti-Gisler  
3438 Stanford Drive  
Anchorage, AK 99508

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Dave Musgrave [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 9:05 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** I support HB 301

I support this bill because every Alaskan deserves to live, work, and participate in public life without fear of discrimination.

Dave Musgrave  
[REDACTED] Palmer, AK 99645

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Adam Greenwald <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 9:02 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Sarah Vance  
**Subject:** HB-301

Please.... “NO” on HB-301!

As a parent and volunteer with an organization that puts me in a position where I must act as “Loco Parentis” for other people’s children, how am I supposed to reconcile my duty to chaperone as a reasonable parent would expect when this bill potentially opens the girl’s bathroom door to biological men?

A yes vote on this bill is not just a flagrant attempt to undermine traditional American values, but is just plain gross. Do you really want men in the locker rooms either your daughters?

I’m sure there are many honest LGBTQ folks out there who are truly convinced their gender and biology are at odds... but there are also potentially many more “predator” individuals that would exploit the “open door” policy this bill creates to gain access to private facilities that would otherwise be off limits to their biological gender.

So few supporters of this type of bill are parents. And those few parents that do support this nonsense are naive at best or predatory themselves at worst. Either way they are dangerously misleading their children. Perhaps we should regulate parenting... (that’s a joke)

Churches: churches have a religious obligation to follow the doctrine set forth in their faith. Some might interpret that doctrine that permits participation in same sex marriages, some won’t. There is NEVER a situation where legislation may interpret, require, or restrict religious doctrine... period.

Private property and therefore private business is PRIVATE. We can refuse service to a person with a bad attitude, no shirt, no shoes, not meeting dress code, etc... all sorts of reasons. To legislate a requirement that forces a business to provide services counter to their religious beliefs is wrong and illegal. Furthermore, business owners should have a right to refuse service to anyone for any reason. Their reasons may not always be moral, but they have the right nonetheless.

Enough with the attempted takeover of religious freedom.

Enough with requiring the +99% to bend to the will of the -1%.

This bill erodes the very basis of religious freedom.

As we near the 250 anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, it is clearly time we re-read that foundational document and re-apply the principles HB301 seeks to destroy.

Please... “NO” ON HB301.

Thank you,  
Adam Greenwald  
Homer, AK

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** MarkaAnne Brooks [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:59 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

I urge you to fully support HB 301. It is important to me and Alaska because it:

- It protects equal rights--the American and Alaska I believe in.
- Every person should be treated fairly regardless of how they express their gender to who they love.
- Housing is a basic need and we do not need to be making it harder by allowing discrimination to deny people housing!
- We should offer all Alaskans the same fairness and dignity.
- Sexual orientation and gender identity have been fluid since the dawn of man and by 2026, we should have protections in place that prevent discrimination.
- Alaska should have strong civil rights laws.
- We need to make our communities places where people feel secure, respected and included.

This law is good and important!

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Anne Brooks  
Anchorage, Alaska

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## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Margo Bellamy [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:58 AM  
**To:** Rep. Alyse Galvin; House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support for HB 301

Dear Representative Galvin,

Thank you for the opportunity to write in support of HB 301, legislation that will strengthen protections against discrimination and affirm the dignity and rights of all Alaskans. Every Alaskan deserves to feel safe, valued, and protected from discrimination in employment, housing, education, and public life.

As an educator, school board member, and community servant, I know firsthand the importance of creating environments where individuals feel they belong and can fully participate without fear of exclusion or mistreatment. I believe that policies that promote non-discrimination help foster stronger schools, healthier communities, and a more inclusive Alaska for current and future generations.

Most importantly, HB 301 sends the important message that Alaska is committed to ensuring ALL people are treated with dignity and respect under the law. I appreciate your leadership in bringing this legislation forward and your continued advocacy on behalf of Alaska's families, students, and communities.

Sincerely,

Margo Bellamy  
Anchorage

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## Stuart Relay

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**From:** b farris [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:50 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** HB 301 - Non-Discrimination Bill

Good morning,

I am writing today in support of HB 301.

This bill is important, especially in the current political climate, because it protects citizens from discrimination and promotes a more safe community. In Alaska we have always felt strongly that all people have equal rights and this bill supports this intrinsic value.

I urge you to support this bill.

Respectfully,  
Barbara Farris

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Nancy Rabener [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:50 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** Please pass the Non-Discrimination bill. Vote YES

Hello,

I urge the legislature to pass the Non-Discrimination bill submitted by Representative Alyse Galvin.

It's past time to recognize the entrenched discrimination against some of our fellow citizens and neighbors, and help protect them legally from discriminatory abuse.

Vote YES for the Non-Discrimination bill.

Thank you,  
Nancy Rabener

[REDACTED]  
Fairbanks, AK 99712

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Mel Langdon [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:47 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** HB 301 Non-discrimination Bill

My dear representatives,

I support HB 301, the Non-Discrimination Bill.

Federal activities this past year have cast fear in minority communities in Anchorage. Many of my friends and acquaintances find themselves in harm's way, from transgender people to immigrants to people in interracial marriages.

We as a state must signal that ALL are welcome to work, live, and raise their family safely here in Alaska, no matter their race, religion, color, national origin, sex, or sexual orientation. We must NOT succumb to the rhetoric that minorities can be discriminated against with impunity.

This bill protects the rights of ALL humans. It ensures people are not denied opportunities, jobs, health care, and housing. More importantly, it promotes fairness and dignity to all Alaska residents and visitors.

Please support HB 301, the Non-Discrimination Bill.

Sincerely,

Mel Langdon  
[REDACTED]

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** John Fleming <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:43 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB-301

Not necessary! .Everyone is protected by present laws. This is just an opportunity to waste the time of our lawmakers and allow the sponsor get some publicity.  
John Fleming - Anchorage

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Pamela Miller [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:38 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** Support for HB 301

Dear Members of the House State Affairs Committee:

I am writing in support of HB 301 because it protects the civil rights of some of our most vulnerable community members. The bill prevents discrimination against people based on their sexual orientation or gender identity/expression. This bill means a lot to me because I have seen the harm caused by discrimination against members of our LGBTQI community. This bill strengthens our state's civil rights laws and helps ensure that all people can live in our communities without fear of discrimination and with dignity and respect.

Thank you for your consideration of this bill. Please support its passage.

Sincerely,  
Pamela Miller

Pamela Miller, she/her/hers  
Executive Director

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**From:** MaryKnopf [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:38 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** Support for HB 301 Non-Discrimination Bill

I just attended an inspiring Anchorage Chamber presentation on the Alaska version of this year's celebration of America's 250 year existence, given by state historian Katherine Ringsmuth, PhD. I learned quite a few facts that made me proud to be an Alaskan. The territorial government passed voting rights for women in Alaska in 1913, long before the suffrage movement even started in the rest of the United States. Due to our heritage and the strong leaders from the native community, we also passed anti-discrimination legislation long before the civil rights movement even started in the lower 48. I believe we also had the first all African American and the first all Native American baseball teams in the United States!

Let's continue to lead the way in passing inclusive legislation by passing HB 301. All Alaskans deserve to be afforded equal rights and to be free of discrimination as they work, live and play in our communities

Sincerely,

Mary G. Knopf  
[REDACTED]  
Anchorage, AK 99502  
[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Morgan Stonecipher [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:37 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** Support for HB 301

Hello,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301 as an Alaskan resident. I believe that all deserve equal protections to ensure they are not discriminated against simply for their identity, and it is an embarrassment that this is not already included in our non-discrimination laws. I am grateful for the Representatives who brought this bill forward.

Sincerely,  
Morgan Stonecipher

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Tina [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:31 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin; Tina Neal  
**Subject:** Please pass the amendment to HB301

Dear legislators:

All Alaskans deserve the same rights to equal protection and access to housing and employment.

Please support amending HB 301 to add language that protects our LGBTQ+ neighbors. Especially at this time, when the forces of exclusion across America are feeling emboldened, our statutes must be explicit in such protection.

Thank you Representative Galvin and co-sponsors for standing up for me and all Alaskans.

Christina Neal

[REDACTED]  
Homer, AK

Sent from my iPad

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Luann McVey [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:25 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Sara Hannan  
**Subject:** Support HB 301

Dear members of the State Affairs Committee,

I strongly urge you to pass HB 301, Representative Galvin's non-discrimination bill, out of committee. This bill addresses the need to include EVERYONE in the workplace and in housing, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, or the expression of one's gender identity. Please stand up for those who are not currently protected in statute. In our Alaska and in our America, everyone is welcome and valued.

Thank you for considering my message and please vote in favor of HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Luann McVey  
Retired Alaskan Teacher  
[REDACTED]  
Douglas, Alaska 99824

Sent from my iPhone

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Sue May [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:24 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301 - Non-Discrimination Bill

With respect for the pressures of time and energy at the end of the legislative session, I urge all legislators to stand up for ALL Alaskans, no matter what race, ethnicity, belief system, national origin, sex or sexual orientation and pass HB 301.

In my career as a social worker at the Alaska VA Healthcare System, it was my honor to support all veterans, including those who identified as LGBTQ+. These are our neighbors, people who volunteered to protect us, and all equally deserve to live freely without limitations in our communities. No matter what personal beliefs define individual relationships, all Alaskans should have the same rights to housing, employment, commerce, participation in communities and interpersonal relationships. Your vote means a great deal, and I ask that you vote with compassion and pride that you support all citizens of our state.

Respectfully,  
Sue Ellen May  
Eagle River, AK

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:19 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,

Carol C Thompson

Sincerely,  
Carol Thompson  
Palmer, AK 99645-9239

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** gage saxton [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:16 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** Vote Yes on HB 301

To the AK House of Representatives:

My name is Gage Saxton from Palmer, AK. I am urging you to support the passage of HB 301, the anti-discrimination bill.

As a born-and-raised Alaskan who has been surrounded and positively influenced my whole life by LGBTQ+ Alaskans, I am enraged by our leaders that dare to put their partisan or religious beliefs above our constitutional rights to freedom and privacy. LGBTQ+ rights are currently being legislated out of existence around the country, led by lies spread by our conservative members of government. This cannot be allowed to continue.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Gage Saxton

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Grant Gibbs [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:13 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

Dear Legislators,

I am writing in favor of HB 301. You don't have to invite people you are not comfortable with to your birthday party. It is about tolerance and human decency. I support HB 301.

Thanks,  
Thomas Grant Gibbs, Lifelong Alaskan

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Linda Domjan [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:13 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** In support of HB 301

I am writing in support of House Bill 301. Alaska's strength comes from our community, and a strong community ensures protections for all its members. It is time to support rights for everyone, and ensure people are not treated unfairly because of who they are. Everyone deserves equal opportunities for housing, work, and participation in public life without fear of discrimination.

Thank you for your consideration.

Linda Domjan

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** victory lavalle [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:08 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** I support HB 301

Please support and vote in favor of HB 301.

HB 301 Protects equal rights, that is the America and Alaska I believe in.

The bill helps ensure that people cannot be denied opportunities or treated unfairly because of who they are or how they express their gender.

Prevents housing discrimination: By strengthening anti-discrimination laws, the bill can help protect people from being unfairly denied housing or targeted in real estate practices.

Promotes fairness and dignity: Everyone deserves to live, work, and participate in public life without fear of discrimination.

Strengthens Alaska's civil rights laws.

Adding sexual orientation and gender identity or expression makes the law more inclusive and better reflects modern protections against discrimination.

Supports safer communities: When discrimination is prohibited by law, individuals and families are more likely to feel secure, respected, and included in their communities.

Its sad that at this time we still have to make these common sense human rights law.

Thank You

Have a great day!

Victory Cheney  
[REDACTED]

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 8:01 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** Please support HB 301-Non-discrimination bill

Please vote FOR HB 301- Non-Discrimination Bill!

It amends Section 1. AS 18.80.300(1), and prevents discriminatory practice in real estate, with respect to race, religion, sex, color, or national origin. It quite simply protects Alaskan residents from predatory and bigoted actions based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression.

Thank you

Penny Goodstein

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Sarah Bean [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 7:57 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** HB 301

I wholeheartedly support HB301 - non-discrimination bill. When discrimination is prohibited by law, individuals and families are more likely to feel secure, respected, and included in their communities. We cannot afford to disenfranchise people in our community - it's truly expensive. Rather, "we all do better when we all do better."

Sarah Mittelstadt Bean

[REDACTED]  
Palmer AK 99645  
[REDACTED]

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Mandy Lehm [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 7:56 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** Public testimony

To the Alaska state senate,

My name is Amanda Lehm, I live in Homer, Alaska. I am writing in to show my support for HB301. I believe everyone deserves to be treated with dignity and respect and should not have to live in fear of discrimination. This bill adds simple language to ensure everyone is offered the same protection under the law. This will help our communities feel safer, which helps our state as a whole be a better, more prosperous place to live.

We're only better if we lift everyone up.

Best,

Amanda Lehm  
Resident of Homer, Ak  
[REDACTED]

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** E Durnford [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 7:44 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** HB 301

I'm writing to voice my support of HB 301 which will insure that all Alaskans can work, live and raise their family here no matter their race, religion, color, national origin, sex or sexual orientation.

I think this will make our communities stronger and safer.

Thank you ,  
Elizabeth Durnford  
Anchorage

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Beth Brewington [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 7:39 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

I support the passing of this bill. I have lived in Alaska since 1964 and it was a great place to grow up, specifically due to the wide variety of cultures and race in our state and local community.

Beth Brewington  
[REDACTED]

Anchorage, Alaska

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Sonia Tseu [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 7:02 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB301

Please pass this bill!! When we exclude people from basic needs, it creates chaos and more crime! Everyone should have a fair chance to obtain basic needs, such as housing, education, and jobs.

Thank you! Sonia Tseu

Sent from my iPhone

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** John Levy [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 6:43 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

House State Affairs Committee Members,

I ask that you approve HB 301.

As a life-long Alaskan, I have always prided our citizens on their attitudes of fairness and respect to each other based on what our abilities are and not what we look like or who we love.

This bill offers an important statement that we, as a society, we no longer tolerate discrimination.

Please vote to pass.

John Levy

[REDACTED]  
Anchorage

Sent from my iPhone

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Luci Beach [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 6:17 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** No discrimination

Alaska's first peoples have long been demeaned and discriminated against in various ways; white supremacist territorial apartheid schools, no dogs no Natives signs, hiring, housing, mass incarceration and various other hateful ways.

Race religion, color, national origin, sex, or sexual orientation discrimination is unacceptable.

People show up in Alaska for freedom.

Let us care about our neighbor, not discriminate against.

Christians, love thy neighbor.

Luci Beach M.A

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** JJ Harrier [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 6:09 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** Support for HB 301 – Protecting Equal Rights for All Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee Members,

My name is JJ Harrier, and I serve as Chair of the Anchorage Pride Parade. I am writing in strong support of HB 301, legislation that would strengthen Alaska’s non-discrimination protections by including sexual orientation and gender identity or expression in state law.

At its core, this bill is about fairness, dignity, and ensuring all Alaskans are treated equally under the law. No one should fear losing housing, employment opportunities, or access to public spaces because of who they are. HB 301 sends an important message that Alaska is a place where everyone deserves safety, respect, and the opportunity to participate fully in community life.

As someone who works closely with LGBTQ+ Alaskans, families, businesses, and community organizations, I have seen firsthand the importance of creating communities where people feel welcome and protected. Strong anti-discrimination laws help build safer communities, support economic opportunity, and reflect the values of inclusion and fairness that many Alaskans share.

I respectfully encourage your support of HB 301.

Thank you for your consideration and for your service to Alaska.

Sincerely,

JJ Harrier  
Chair, Anchorage Pride Parade

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Mary Burtness [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 5:31 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301

Dear members of the House affairs committee:

I am writing to encourage you to support and pass on HB 31. In this time where people are focusing on decreasing people's rights, let Alaska be a leader in insuring rights for all!

Thank you for your time,  
Mary C Burtness  
Fairbanks

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 4:11 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Crosby  
Anchorage, AK 99501-5168

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Connie <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 2:46 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** State Affairs

I strongly urge you to do your part in making the state of Alaska safe and secure for ALL Alaskans by doing what you know is right to protect rights of all citizens, environment wildlife and education of our youth, which is now rated at the bottom in the nation.

Do your part to make Alaska a safe, state again with promise and opportunities.

Connie Hyder  
Anchorage  
Sent from my iPhone

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Denise Greger [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 1:46 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB-301

If we want Alaska to fulfill its promise as a land of opportunity, it should be truly open to everyone regardless of sexual orientation and gender identity or expression. I strongly support HB-301, and urge you to vote for its passage.  
Denise Greger

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** dennis marks [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 1:35 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** Re: HB 301 Non-Discrimination Bill

To whom this concerns in the House State Affairs Committee.

Regarding HB 301, the Non-Discrimination Bill, I would ask any opponent of the proposed amendments to ask yourself, how would you want your son or daughter, who might not conform to what you consider average or normal, to be treated in the world?

Dennis Marks  
Anchorage, Alaska

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Eileen Apodaca [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 12:44 AM  
**To:** Rep. Alyse Galvin; House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301

# HB 301 - Non-Discrimination Bill

I have lived in Alaska for almost 56 years. I've always thought that all should be welcome to work, live, raise their family safely here in Alaska, no matter their race, religion, color, national origin, sex, or sexual orientation

1. **HB 301 protects equal rights not only for America but also for the Alaska I believe in.**
2. The bill helps ensure that people cannot be denied opportunities or treated unfairly because of who they are or how they express their gender.
3. **It prevents housing discrimination:** By strengthening anti-discrimination laws, the bill can help protect people from being unfairly denied housing or targeted in real estate practices.
4. **It promotes fairness and dignity:** Everyone deserves to live, work, and participate in public life without fear of discrimination.
5. **It strengthens** Alaska's civil rights laws.
6. by adding sexual orientation and gender identity or expression makes **the law more inclusive and better reflects modern protections** against discrimination.
7. **Supports safer communities:** When discrimination is prohibited by law, individuals and families are more likely to feel secure, respected, and included in their communities.

**Support** HB 301 - Non-Discrimination Bill

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Gene Cornelius [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 12:42 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB -301

As a resident who has called Alaska home for a long time, I care deeply about making sure everyone feels welcome to live, work, and raise a family safely here. It shouldn't matter what your background is—your race, religion, color, national origin, or who you love.

Right now, our laws have a gap when it comes to protecting people based on sexual orientation and gender identity. Taking the step to include these protections is simply the right direction for our state. I am writing to share my full support for HB 301.

Sincerely,

Gene Cornelius

[REDACTED]  
Gustavus, AK 99826

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Christy McMurren [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 12:02 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

I'm writing in favor of HB 301. Anytime we can put inclusiveness into state law is beneficial to all citizens in alaska. Over the centuries, society has paid dearly for efforts to vilify one group over the other. It's time to stop that.

thank you

Christy McMurren

anchorage

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 12:02 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

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Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Morris Horning  
Anchorage, AK 99508-4551

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 14, 2026 12:01 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I don't think that this issue should even be controversial, nor should it not already be abundantly clear. There is no valid argument NOT to support and protect the rights of others - whether one agrees with another individual's life, and/or choices or not.

We must protect the rights of ALL Alaskans, Americans, and humans. Please vote to pass this bill.

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Tracy Barbee  
Anchorage, AK 99503-4636

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Lindsey Meyn  
Anchorage, AK 99504-2602

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Michele Cornelius [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 11:59 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** In support of HB 301, Nondiscrimination Bill

As a long time Alaskan resident, it is very important to me that everyone is welcome to work, live, and raise their family safely here in Alaska, no matter their race, religion, color, national origin, sex, or sexual orientation.

Currently there is no protection from discrimination based on sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression and adding these protection would be a step forward for Alaska. I fully support HB 301.

Sincerely,

Michele Cornelius  
Gustavus Alaska

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Matt Hinman [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 11:23 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301 bill

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to voice my support of the HB 301 bill. While I myself am not a member of the LGBTQIA2S community, my partner is and I have seen firsthand the discrimination themselves and their loved ones have faced. I have watched my partner live in fear of their identity and know that protections from the state would greatly improve their quality of life.

Thank you,

Matt

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Susan Reed [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 11:01 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB301 non-discrimination bill support

Please vote yes to add new language addressing sex and sexual orientation to the non-discrimination bill. i am gravely concerned about a growing trend in the U.S. - a troubling level of negativity towards women & LGBTQ people. A human being is a person. Discrimination based on factors having nothing to do w job performance etc is a growing problem that must be addressed. please vote for this bill.

Susan Reed  
[REDACTED]  
Anchorage 99508

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Mike Cagle <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 11:00 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs; Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** HB 301 -- Non-Discrimination Bill

Honorable Representatives,

Please accept this note as my public comment in favor of HB 301.

I believe that protecting people from unfair discrimination is a basic American (and Alaskan) value and an important duty of lawmakers and legislatures.

Although Alaska law already protects residents from some forms of discrimination, it's become more evident and widely recognized in recent years that protection from discrimination and mistreatment on the basis of sex, gender, and sexual orientation is an important aspect of a truly just society.

Please support this bill, which strengthens Alaskans' protection against unfair treatment and blocked opportunity. This helps not only the people who are directly protected, but it also benefits the communities they contribute to.

Thank you,

Michael Cagle  
Kotzebue

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Cristanne Swanda [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 10:52 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Equal Rights

To the Alaska Legislature:

I support the new wording in this law allowing all people regardless of their race, religion, gender, sexual orientation or any other cultural difference to receive equal opportunities and treatment under the law. We can all have something positive to give to our state and communities as citizens and residents. We should all learn to peacefully coexist with each other and work together for the common good.

Cristanne Swanda  
Anchorage, Alaska

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Allie Williams <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 10:37 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to voice my support for HB 301. As a disabled queer Alaskan and a therapist to our community I know the stress, firsthand and through accounts of my loved ones, that facing discrimination can cause my community. Every day, Alaska loses more and more of our queer community to fear, lack of resources, leaving state, and unfortunately untimely deaths. As trivial as this may seem to those not within my community I can guarantee that this bill will save lives.

Thank you for your time,

Allie

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 10:33 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

Thank you for taking time to hear from the many residents of Alaska that support and care for our LGBTQ citizens. My name is Jim Crittenden - I am a 75 year resident of Anchorage. Today I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Jim Crittenden  
Anchorage, AK 99517-1250

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 10:01 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I don't know why there's even a need to put forth a bill protecting a group of labeled people. Identifying people as somehow unacceptable is un-American and not who we say we are. Aren't we all just trying to live our lives the best way we can? Isn't it challenging enough without establishing restrictions on those we are for some reason fearful of? It's madness and unacceptable!

I support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Nancy Racek  
Wasilla, AK 99654-7493

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 9:20 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

Please support HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Angela Harris  
Anchorage, AK 99507-3940

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 9:15 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Allison Paskin  
Jber, AK 99506-1146

## Stuart Relay

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**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 9:15 PM  
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**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Mollie Crittenden  
Anchorage, AK 99517-1250

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Shawnee Dunham [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 8:58 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

Dear Members of the Alaska House of Representatives,

I am writing to urge you to pass House Bill 301, "An Act relating to and prohibiting discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity or expression." Alaska should be a place where every person is treated with dignity, fairness, and respect. No one should face discrimination in their daily life simply because of who they are.

Our state needs to help protect all people. At a time when the federal government continues to allow fewer and fewer protections for vulnerable communities, it is even more important for Alaska to act at the state level. State law should clearly protect people from discrimination and make it known that Alaska values the safety, rights, and humanity of all its residents.

Passing HB 301 would be an important step toward making Alaska a more just and welcoming state. I respectfully ask you to support this bill and stand for equal protection under the law for every Alaskan.

Sincerely,  
Shawnee Dunham  
[REDACTED]  
Fairbanks AK 99709

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 8:41 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Margaret Hightower  
Juneau, AK 99801-8615

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 8:35 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Janet Mueller Mueller  
Anchorage, AK 99502-2763

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 8:16 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301. Its the right thing to do.

Sincerely,  
Anna Meredith  
Homer, AK 99603-9294

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Julia Terry [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 8:12 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Re: HB301: Support

I'm not sure if the text of my email (sent from my phone) went through so sending it again just in case!

Position: Support HB 301

I am writing today to express my strong support for HB 301 and my fervent hope that Alaskans will finally have a robust and equitable statewide anti-discrimination law.

I am a lifelong Alaskan, a licensed clinical social worker who works in community-based private practice and in a critical care hospital setting. I have more than 20 years of clinical experience supporting people affected by structural and systemic barriers to health and wellbeing. I am also a gender-expansive person who identifies as queer and is parenting both minor and adult children - I care about nurturing the community that is raising my children.

I have seen firsthand how discrimination impacts members of my community, from wrongful firing to denial of housing. For many years I collaborated with a multigenerational collective of Alaskans to co-create the first LGBTQ+ youth-centered housing and homelessness organization in our state and, many times, observed housing discrimination particularly directed toward transgender youth of color, employment discrimination rooted in real or perceived identity, and repeatedly, dismissal and lower quality of care for LGBTQ+ people.

Anti-discrimination law is essential to the health and wellness of all Alaskans. HB 301 updates our current non-discrimination laws to ensure that LGBTQ+ Alaskans are treated with the same dignity as everyone else. This is a moral and ethical obligation to our relatives, friends, and neighbors. Ensuring an inclusive environment helps ensure that talented and engaged Alaskans remain in the communities that raised them and contribute to our workforce, our civic life, and the long-term stability of our state. While I currently reside in Mountainview, Anchorage where there is a city wide anti-discrimination ordinance, my relatives live throughout the state, from the YK Delta through the Interior. A Statewide comprehensive anti-discrimination law that explicitly names LGBTQ+ people will help to close the gaps for Alaskans and ensure equity.

Research consistently shows that inclusive policies are associated with improved mental health outcomes, reduced rates of suicide and substance use, and greater access to stable housing and employment for LGBTQ+ people, particularly for transgender and gender expansive young people. The absence of legal protections perpetuates harm, limits opportunity, and undermines the wellbeing of entire communities.

As both a clinician and a community member, I see the direct effects of these policies every day. Legal protections are not abstract, they directly influence whether people feel safe seeking care, maintaining employment, securing housing, and fully participating in public life. In this time of unprecedented legislative attacks on transgender people in particular, you have an opportunity to put people in the center of law making and create pathways of true community care.

Please ardently support HB 301.

Julia

On Wed, May 13, 2026 at 1:59 PM Julia Terry [REDACTED] wrote:

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Julia Terry, LCSW (*queer femme; pronouns: they/them*)

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Julia Terry, LCSW (*queer femme; pronouns: they/them*)

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## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 8:10 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

My name is betsy Peratrovich. I am a granddaughter of Elizabeth and Roy Peratrovich Sr., and an Anchorage resident.

I am sending this message to urge you to support HB301, which would prohibit discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity/expression in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices.

Excluding LGBTQ+ citizens from discrimination protections signals that they are less than, when they are anything but. LGBTQ+ citizens contribute to and enrich our communities, and our economies. They are precious, and beloved, and deserve the same protections as anyone else, because they ARE the same as anyone else: they are human beings.

Indigenous peoples have long recognized and revered individuals whose sexual or gender identities are fluid. Your vote in support of HB301 would continue that respect.

Please vote in favor of HB301.

Sincerely,  
Betsy Peratrovich  
Anchorage, AK 99517-3279

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Erica Longley <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 7:59 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Alyse Galvin  
**Subject:** Support HB 301

Hello,

I am a resident of Anchorage, and am emailing to ask for your support of HB 301. It is important to me that all of my fellow Alaskans are treated fairly, able to live in safety, and without fear of discrimination.

Thank you,  
Erica Longley

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 7:57 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I support HB 301. LGBTQ+ Alaskans deserve protections in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices, just as the state already has for race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is wrong and should be prohibited.

Please support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Karen Pletnikoff  
Anchorage, AK 99517-1625

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
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Sincerely,  
Molly Benson  
Wasilla, AK 99654-2827

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We Can Choose Unity, Solidarity and stand together for Dignity and Human Rights!

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Jerrina REED-VANWORMER  
Homer, AK 99603-7045

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Joclyn Reilly  
Anchorage, AK 99516-1960

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 6:53 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Phyllis Kiehl  
Anchorage, AK 99516-2409

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Kevin Clark [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 6:34 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB301

I strongly oppose this bill as it would infringe upon Alaskan's first amendment rights.

## Stuart Relay

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Sincerely,  
Maryann Rowe  
Anchorage, AK 99508-3969

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Kara Seeger  
Homer, AK 99603-9104

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 6:20 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I'm writing to support HB 301 and the protections it would provide for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public services, and financial matters. Right now, Alaska already recognizes that people should not be discriminated against based on things like race, religion, age, disability, sex, or marital status. I believe sexual orientation and gender identity or expression should be included in that same basic protection.

For me, this is not abstract. LGBTQ+ people are part of our communities here in Alaska. They are friends, neighbors, coworkers, and family members. They deserve the same dignity and fairness as anyone else when it comes to working, finding housing, or simply being served without fear of discrimination.

I strongly encourage you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Crystal Howard  
Wasilla, AK 99654-3131

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 6:10 PM  
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**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

Nobody should be discriminated against. Be a better human.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Rochelle Lehrer  
Fairbanks, AK 99712-1431

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 6:01 PM  
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**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Stephanie Lee  
Anchorage, AK 99518-2860

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 5:30 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

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Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I volunteer with an organization that houses LGBTQ+ youth who are kicked out of their homes or have run away from such discrimination. They try and enter the workforce but are rejected from several entry employment opportunities due to discrimination, not their skill sets which we have taught them through careful case management and skill building. It sickens me to see youth treated like they shouldn't exist because of their sexual orientation or their gender identity. This is no different than the civil rights era, folks fighting for the right to simply exist. This bill goes a long way towards affirming their rights are equal to anyone else's.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Melody Bechberger  
Anchorage, AK 99502-1546

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 5:24 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

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Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Cami Dalton  
Anchorage, AK 99517-1155

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 5:03 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. I'm not sure if you're aware, but people in the queer community face so much greater scrutiny than non queer people do when applying to rent or buy a new space. We can't change the social norm of judging queer people poorly overnight, but we can offer legal protections so that when someone inevitably gets harmed, they have legal grounds to back themselves.

The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Breanne Meath  
Fairbanks, AK 99709-4828

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 5:01 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status.

It must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

I support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are regular old people and deserve the same treatment as anyone else. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

Sincerely,  
Rebecca Bezdecny  
Kenai, AK 99611-6874

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 4:54 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I fully support HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. Out state is already protecting it's citizens by making it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way and all Alaskans will be protected.

I support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I strongly urge you to support HB 301 and will be paying attention to ensure that you are putting the protection of Alaska's citizens first.

Sincerely,  
Gretchen Nelson  
Anchorage, AK 99508-3256

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 4:47 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

Alaskans are Alaskans, and our state has a proud tradition of treating people as individuals and letting everyone do their thing.

Consequently, I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Henry Huntington  
Eagle River, AK 99577-9659

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 4:31 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Emma Hill  
Anchorage, AK 99504-2522

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 4:25 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Jennine Williamson  
Fairbanks, AK 99709-2018

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 4:21 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Christina Livesey  
Anchorage, AK 99502-1950

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Tate Wiley [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 4:19 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** HB 301

Please do not pass this bill.

Science says there are 2 genders, anyone who says different has a mental illness.

We should place protections for the mentally ill, when it would create greater harm for the rest of society.

I see several faults with this bill. For example, sec. 2 (20) states that "sex" includes sexual orientation.

Then in sec. 2 (21) it goes on to describe or define "sexual orientation"

This is a circular definition, as are all arguments made claiming that there are more than 2 genders.

It cannot be so.

I would greatly urge you all to not pass this bill.

Thank you!

Tate

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## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 4:17 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices.

Discrimination against LGBTQ+ people is a harbinger of discrimination against all minorities, and presages repression of personal freedom and loss of human rights for all Americans. Guaranteeing LGBTQ+ people equal rights helps protect rights for all people.

I support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. Our state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now we must be clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Martha Freeman  
Anchorage, AK 99508-3026

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 4:13 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Eleya Whitson  
Sitka, AK 99835-7343

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Alyssa Quintyne [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 4:11 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Cc:** Rep. Frank Tomaszewski; Sen. Robert Myers  
**Subject:** Support for HB 301

Good morning Chair Carrick and SOA committee,  
My name is Alyssa Quintyne, and I am a resident in Fairbanks. I'm emailing in support of HB 301.

We have already seen the overt discrimination of our LGBTQ neighbors and children happening in across our state- bans on only trans girls participating in girls sports, bathroom bans, attempts to release medical information, reversals on LGBTQ Pride month events and proclamations. And some not so covert that doesn't always make the news - the daily incidents of not being able to pick up prescriptions, apply or renew a lease, being offered a job or being discriminated at one's job, going to the bathroom, going to or hosting events in public spaces like libraries and community centers, visiting and advocating care for a loved one in the hospital, updating legal documents - All things that Alaskan do all the time, have the right to do, and should be able to do without issue. We know that is not the typical experience for LGBTQ Alaskans. We know the reasons as to why is sheer discrimination, hatred, bigotry, and fear. The Alaska State Legislature has a vested interest and duty to ensure the rights and wellbeing of its constituents, and to update its legal definitions and protected classes as we continue to evolve and understand.

Without this designation, LGBTQ Alaskans will continue to have to fight these discriminatory incidents without recourse because currently it is not seen for what it is - a discriminatory act that the Stat prohibits, just not for LGBTQ Alaskans. The federal EEOC, Human Rights Commission, or even District Attorney cannot do much without that designation.

While I am sure many will argue that legislation like this is 'special treatment' and should be rejected, I would like to remind both them and this committee - LGBTQ Alaskans already have the same right as everyone else. They are not getting additional rights. This legislation simply acts as the grounds to remind all of us that we cannot discriminate against each other, including LGBTQ Alaskans. And if you do, there are legal consequences, and the State may get involved as it does for others. While this legislation protections Alaskans marginalized, the only reason this legislation is needed is because discrimination and marginalization continues to happen without recourse or restitution. This legislation provides the necessary legal grounds for recourse and restitution when the next discriminatory act happens in our state.

I have been testifying on legislation like 301 and all of the past iterations since I was 16 years old. I am 31 now. Over the years, I have seen so much of my LGBTQ friends and mentors and neighbors in my community flee, live in fear, develop chronic conditions and infections, and at worse and most traumatic for me, buried on Birch Hill. I became a community organizer after the death of my 2 dearest friends in middle school committed suicide, and their ashes were spread in secret because of the homophobic treatment of their families and our school, Randy Smith Middle imposed onto them. I am tired of watching my neighbors flee and suffer, and I am tired of burying them. They deserve better, and this government needed to do better by them. Sending in this testimony, while imperative, always feels like a plea. It is unconscionable that I, my peers, and other LGBTQ Alaska have to beg for their collective rights in this state. No one should have to do so. And the fact that we do, should illustrate the issue and why this legislation is needed.

It is past due to ensure and protect the rights of LGBTQ Alaskans as the rest of us.

~ *Alyssa*

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 4:10 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I am writing to express my strong support for HB 301, which provides explicit protections for LGBTQ+ Alaskans in employment, housing, public accommodations, and financing practices. The state already makes it illegal to discriminate based on race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, disability, and marital status. Now it must be made clear that discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression is prohibited in the same way.

Alaskans like me support this bill because LGBTQ+ people are valued family, friends, neighbors and coworkers, and have the same inherent dignity as any other person. When it comes to earning a living, having a home, or being served by a business or government office, LGBTQ+ Alaskans should be treated like everyone else and not discriminated against.

I urge your strong support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Maureen Knutsen  
Naknek, AK 99633-0134

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Denise Sudbeck [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 1:37 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** In Support of HB 301

Good afternoon: I am Denise Sudbeck, a retired pastor who lives in H D 21. I am writing on behalf of myself and many others I know in Alaska who identify as trans +. Together we are a community of families including young school children and their parents all the way to seniors like me. We exist in all ethnicities, all religions, and all cultures.

I am a trans woman who is also a Vietnam-era Navy veteran. I answered the call of the nation to step up in defense without being drafted. I took an oath of allegiance to serve and protect the Constitution. I spent months at sea on board submarines carrying nuclear weapons in hostile waters. I and several other Alaskan trans+ veterans have demonstrated that we are constructive and trustworthy members of society.

Trans+ people who teach and provide child care, those who serve the community in health care and emergency responders, those who parent - we all deserve better protection from the state where we work, play and raise those families. Without us, Alaska misses its full potential. Thank you for your support of HB 301.

*Rev. Dr. Denise Sudbeck*  
*(she,her,hers)*

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## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 12:35 PM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Lauryn Baldwin  
Anchorage, AK 99502-2755

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 11:54 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

Dear House State Affairs Committee,

I urge you to support HB 301 to protect Alaskans. Gunalchéesh, Thank you,

Kai Monture  
Juneau, AK

Sincerely,  
Kai Monture  
Juneau, AK 99801-1422

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 11:51 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Support HB 301- support civil rights for all Alaskans

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I urge you to support HB 301.

Sincerely,  
Casey Peavy  
Anchorage, AK 99503-2218

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** Deborah Thompson [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 10:24 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs

Its so very sad a beautiful state is now diseased with the toxic x disgusting leftist who cause more division and problems and trash in the world than any other people on the plane.

## Stuart Relay

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**From:** cbdean6853 [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, May 13, 2026 10:13 AM  
**To:** House State Affairs  
**Subject:** Feel free to endorse perversity on your own dime and time ...

Sh\*tcan HB301.

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