



Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the

House Finance Committee

Committee on

HB 80

Date:

March 30, 2011

Bill/subject

02 (4) protecting a child or a member of the person's
household; or

03 (5) in any place where the person has a right to be.

The underlined portion of HB 80 (see above) extends the Castle Doctrine. I support this bill. It is a common sense addition to the Alaska law defining and supporting self defense.

Some of my reasons include:

1. Alaska is a huge state with many remote and rural off-road areas. Self defense is a necessity when police are not available.
2. Alaska has the highest rate of domestic violence in the U.S. Women need to know that they can defend themselves without going to prison.
3. Child molestation is very high in Alaska. Children need to know that they can defend themselves against attacks by larger, stronger adults without fear of reprisal.

Thank you for considering these reasons.

Peace through strength,

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