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RE: SB23 Civics Education Strong Support

This is to strongly advocate for SB23 which is civics education. This Bill can be to support post-secondary civics education and hopefully American Legal Education. I am a very strong advocate for the attached.

I will call and would like to testify.

Thank you.

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All the other 49 states have elected officeholders who are required to be members of their respective Bar Associations. Alaska does NOT.

Alaska is the only state in the U.S. that does NOT have an American Bar Association accredited law school.

Alaska Constitution Article XIII Section 1 requires that **proposed amendments must be approved by two-thirds of each House of the Alaska Legislature** and approved by a majority of Alaska voters in the next General Election.

Article XI governs Initiative Petitions which impact Alaska Statutes. Eighteen (18) states let Initiative Petitions go before the voters without Legislative approval, but Alaska is NOT one of them.

Please read SJR 21 introduced 2/24/20 during the 31th Alaska Legislature: "Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to the office of attorney general."

<https://www.akleg.gov/basis/Bill/Detail/31?Root=SJR%2021>

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