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I have ushered three teens through Anchorage high schools, and I can assure you that they need more, not less access to comprehensive sex education. I was appalled at the number of my teens peers who were dealing with circumstances they could not or would not go to their parents about. Worse were the number of teens dealing with unintended pregnancies. Our kids deserve our help in getting information on how to keep themselves healthy and safe.

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

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I don't understand why people keep pushing policies that have failed so tragically in other states. Even the most knowledgable legislators have no business meddling in such things, yet it is aways the most ignorant legislators who make the most noise. Trying to impose ignorance on others is harmful and stupid.

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There seems to be a consistent message coming out of the Senate this year and that is the reduction or out right elimination of Education in Alaska. You have been operating an obvious ALEC strategy to cripple those less fortunate and those most in need of education. Hey you arrogant creeps, ignorance is not healthy.

You are acting like religious hate mongers instead of intelligent legislators that look past personal bias and govern in a manner that reflects the greatness of this state. Are you that afraid of sex education and positive interpersonal relationship building? Or is your motive the destruction of Planned Parenthood, Public Education, and Public Broadcasting in an attempt to control the information available to Alaskans.

I am sure my plea for freedom of information will fall on deaf ears.

But rest assured of one thing; you will ultimately be exposed for the horrible people you are turning out to be and freedom will survive in the end.

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This bill is especially egregious in light of proposed cuts to education- we're not going to allow a perfectly good nonprofit organization provide much-needed services to our youth, but we're also not going to fund schools enough to provide the education our youth need and deserve.

I agree that information about reproductive health and sexual assault should come from families. Unfortunately, I also work with youth at risk, who either are getting no information on this subject or worse, who are being abused by their family members.

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Sincerely,

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From: Barbara Haney <barbarahaney100@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2015 9:18 PM

To: Sen. Mike Dunleavy

Cc: Sen. Berta Gardner; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Gary Stevens; LK

Alaska; Rep. Tammie Wilson; Sen. John Coghill; Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. Wes Keller;

Rep. Liz Vazquez

Subject: Fwd: National Sexuality Standards and Common Core

Attachments: The National Sexuality Standards.pdf; WA Correlate NSES & CCSS.pdf; UEN Differences

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Dear Senator Dunleavy and committee members,

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill 89 and for the adoption of the language.

In my testimony today, I mentioned the National Sexuality Standards and Bill Bliss. I hope to build on that a little bit before.

Attached you will find the policy brief I wrote a while back on the correlation between the National Sexuality Standards and the Common Core. I will warn you that some of the screen shots of the curriculum are quite shocking. Were this curriculum about chlamydia, I would not waste my breath. This is not that. This is like something else.

The curriculum is not allowed in many prisons in the United States, and quite frankly, I am loathe to share it. However, I don't know how else to convey what this curriculum covers. All I can say is that it puts the sex in sex ed. The book that it comes from is not a PPH publication, but it is what is being used in various states and districts, including the Midwest and the Pacific Northwest, where PPH is involved in the delivery of content. It was written by staff members of PPFA

I am quite concerned that Medicaid expansion could open up grant opportunities to fund its implementation in Alaska.

Because the Common Core (and Alaska) standards have 50% of the English Language Arts (ELA) allocated to informational texts, there has been an opportunity for organizations like PPH to get their curriculum in place. In addition to the Informational texts, there are ELA standards for Grades 6-12 in the area of Science and Social Science that has given organizations an opportunity to further influence curriculum.

Washington State's education department shared with me their correlation of the Common Core and the NSS. In theory, a state doesn't have to adopt the NSS; it can be implemented without a controversial adoption through the current standards. Alaska's state's standards are correlated to the CCSS. If you would like to see how these correlate to the Alaska Standards, you will need the Uniform Electronic Number document (UEN), which I have attached.

Clearly, the Common Core Standards, and the Alaska Version of those standards, gives organizations like Planned Parenthood an opportunity to engage K-12 classrooms in an unprecedented way. Under ObamaCare, there are enormous grant opportunities for the propagation of particular curriculum. Our current commissioner

of education has been very ambitious in obtaining grants for various purposes in Alaska, and I suspect this might be one of those grant opportunities that he might not be willing to refuse.

The case of the math teacher, <u>Bill Bliss</u>, the teacher in <u>Oregon</u>, involved not allowing PPH in his classroom. He was the only dual credit math teacher in Oregon. The school fired him for not allowing PPH in his classes. While there is often a notion that teachers support this material, the teachers in New York and Chicago have been on the forefront of fighting it. They overwhelmingly want to teach literature, not informational texts, and not overly sexualized materials.

I hope this provides some insight, and helps you to understand why I continue to be an ardent advocate against the Common Core. It isn't just the quality of the standards--but the potential for all sorts of activity that most legislatures and school boards never imagined.

Given that this legislature will not repeal the current state standards, the best I can hope is to advocate for the parent's right to protect their child from information that they might deem inappropriate for whatever reason. For this reason, I support SB 89.

Sincerely,

Barbara Haney, Ph.D. North Pole, Alaska

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Wielechowski; Rep. Charisse Millett

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Hello,

My name is Amy Cross. I am a third year justice major at UAF minoring in sociology and women's and gender studies. I grew up in Fairbanks and graduated from the FNSB school district. I believe sex education is a critical component of public school curriculum and should be improved and expanded statewide. I support Planned Parenthood in opposing SB 89. For similar reasons, I support Erin's Law, but oppose the parental opt-out amendments to SB 37 and HB 44. I ask that you please see my attached letter for more details on the importance of comprehensive sex education including preventative lessons on dating and sexual violence.

Thank you for your consideration, Sincerely,

Amy Cross

From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotesnorthwest.org> on behalf of

William Updegrove <ppaction@ppvotesnorthwest.org>

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I am a member of the Lower Kuskokwim School Board. The LKSD board supports comprehensive reproductive health education. We recently reiterated our support for contraception education as part of the family life curriculum. The Alaska State Senate should not pass any legislation which limits our students' access to sex education. Our school district attempts to foster healthy relationships which are grounded in access to solid reproductive health education.

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Sincerely,

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As a family law attorney and parent, I feel sex education is critical for our youth to prevent unwanted pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases. This education needs to be provided to children before they become sexually active and for some, his occurs in middle school or earlier. Just ask any doctor and it may surprise you. The social impact of unwanted pregnancies is enormous and creates a huge burden on the state when young parents do not support their children.

Additionally, some of the children born to unwed teens are neglected, abused, or do not have the support and nurturing of a two parent family. Young single parents face challenges in completing high school and attending college and becoming self-supporting.

Sexual assault information is essential for young people to be able to protect themselves from sexual predators. .

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Sincerely,

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As a high school student, the only place that kept me healthy and safe was Planned Parenthood. Please make sure the next generation is allowed to be as safe and healthy. Thank you.

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Sincerely,

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Sexual health education can help reduce the incidence of sexually transmitted diseases and unplanned pregnancies among our youth.

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What we chose to do for the next generation will ripple out to effect the next seven generations. YOU have the power to change the quality of the lives of children yet unborn. Knowledge about their bodies and the reality of reproduction is vital for each individuals healthy development. If YOU choose to restrict access to this information YOU are leaving the most powerless of us unprotected. Without clear, accurate information, children with no voice yet, will be born to children. Please face the realities of this world. Not all of us live a protected life. YOU can change a small part now and a huge part later if you support planned parenthoods educational programs.

Sincerely, Catheryn I Uson

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Parental involvement in their children's education is vital and should be encouraged. No one is debating this fact. However, we live in a state with child sexual abuse rates six times higher than the national average. Our STI rates continually lead the nation, and our teens are at the highest risk for infections. We should be working together to ensure that our youth have the resources and information to lead healthy and productive lives--SB 89 does the opposite. This bill would affect access not only to sex education, but also extends to education on sexual assault and awareness, like Erin's Law.

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Sincerely,

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Planned parenthood taught my kids in the Sitka school district. They did a great job! Make every pregnancy a wanted pregnancy.

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Sincerely,

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Shame on anyone supporting a bill like this. We need common sense not knee jerk ideology.

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Please oppose this bill. We need MORE sex education, information, STD and assault prevention services for our youth. NOT less. Look at the stats from Europe vs the stats from the U.S. It's pretty simple:

Denying/withholding information is not the answer - obviously. Look around. These kids aren't going to stop doing what they're doing just because you take away a venue of data or a line of support. All you will have done is make the world of sex more mysterious, dangerous, and "taboo." And when teenagers think something is "taboo," well, they are going to go for it! Add in "mysterious" and "dangerous" and you have a perfect storm. STD's are at epidemic proportions here in Alaska. And it's ok to take away education about this?? Why? If you support this bill you are essentially saying that if these kids have sex, well then, they must deserve to contract an STD as punishment. The odds of NOT contracting an STD are definitely not in their favor here in Alaska. And this bill takes away an attempt at a safety net for our kids...who, need I remind you, eventually become adults. Nothing in this bill makes logical sense...well, unless you want to perpetuate the problem. Please don't make me hang my head in shame. Oppose this bill!

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By requiring that parents "opt-in" to any sexual health instruction, many kids will miss out on essential education to help them lead healthy lives. Parents can already remove their children from sexual health education in districts that offer such programs. The opt-in requirement will further harm students whose parents are already disengaged with their education, or worse, abusers who don't want their kids to get information on protecting themselves, rather than improving parental involvement. We all want to encourage parental involvement, but this bill harms more than it helps.

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

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From: Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotesnorthwest.org> on behalf of

Rhonda Matthews <ppaction@ppvotesnorthwest.org>

Sent: Wednesday, April 08, 2015 12:55 AM

To: Sen. Mike Dunleavy

Subject: Protect Alaska Youth and Oppose SB 89

Apr 8, 2015

Senator Michael Dunleavy State Capitol, Room 11 120 Fourth Street Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Senator Dunleavy,

I am writing to urge that you oppose SB 89, legislation that would make it harder for Alaska youth to access the crucial sexual health education and social services they need. Additionally, it would block Planned Parenthood from providing any sexual health education in schools.

Please support women's health issues and put choice and safety before all else. Thank you for your assistance in this very important woman's issue.

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Sincerely,

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Keeping youth in the dark, breeds ignorance. Leaving them ill equipped to make informed decisions. Their only resources are rumors, do you want your kids educated by rumors or truth????

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Sincerely,

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I support planned parenthood sex education.

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Providing sex ed to Alaskan youth is essential to prevent STD's and unplanned pregnancies. Many children do not hear about safe sex from their families with tragic results. Don't allow ignorance to thrive.

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Sincerely,

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There are too many conservative parents who will not teach adequate education regarding sex to their children. This leaves these children to experiment and rely on their peers for information, which is not the best model.

Please think about the children and do not let the conservatives to take this vital information away from them. Planned Parenthood provides quality health care and education at minimal cost. Our students are much better off with these services.

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Sincerely,

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From: Michael Johnson <michaelclimbsmountains@hotmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, April 08, 2015 8:23 AM

To: jrockclimb@aol.com; Sen. Berta Gardner; Senator.Cathy.Giesel@akleg.gov; Sen. Charlie

Huggins; Senator.Gary.Steven@akleg.gov; Sen. Mike Dunleavy

Cc: Sen. Mia Costello

Subject: RE: SB89

Dear Senators,

I watched on live streaming the committee discussion on SB89 yesterday and listened to public testimony. I read two versions of SB 89. The first version I read was at the following link: http://www.legis.state.ak.us/PDF/29/Bills/SB0089A.PDF

The second version was the citizens version at the following link: http://www.scribd.com/doc/260754405/SB-89-Substitute-Recommendation-by-AACC

My preference was and still is the citizens version. I believe it is cleaner, clearer, and from what I can see eliminates the concerns which the callers from Barrow and Craig expressed. Which was smaller school districts in rural areas need to be able to freely access the community to bring educational partners into their schools.

Our reasons for being favor of SB 89 the citizens version are as follows:

- 1. The following description is intended to add clarity as to why the right as parents to withdraw for any reason is important to us. We are a home school family with three students ages 14, 13, and 7. We don't operate anything like a brick and mortar school. Our methodologies, goals and values to educate and raise our children may or may not be congruent with state or federal ideologies or methods. Historically, our kids have tested proficient to highly proficient on all standardized tests. The reality is in general our kids have often been three to five grade levels ahead standardized subject areas. Our oldest son I distinctly remember him being at a fifth grade level in reading while still in Kindergarten. Since then, I've paid little attention to grade level standards. Our kids are currently thriving, we still have work to do and have not arrived, and the work we are embarking on probably does not fit the perfect little box of scope and sequence that others may be carefully watching. We may or may not want to participate in testing, classes, etc that someone at the state and federal level believes is necessary. We want to ensure that our rights as parents are protected per the substitute recommendation for SB 89.
- 2. We are also concerned about overreach. The caller from Sitka(?) yesterday confirmed this again when he talked about not being able to question things being taught/occurring in the schools. I don't recall the details. It did not sound positive. Another example that many home school families are aware of is the case of the Romeike family. The short story is they are a German family, living in Germany, their kids are thriving, yet they did not comply with the requirements of the state. The kids were removed from the home. It's a longer story. They are now homeschooling in the United States. Many families who know about this case are watching Common Core affiliated changes closely, wondering if that kind of overreach will land in their hometown or home state.

On the IDEA Action for our Children Facebook forum I recall being reminded that the parents fundamental rights already exist per natural law protected by the constitution. The question brought up is, "Why do we need a law to protect a law that already exists?" While I appreciate the Senators good work on bringing this bill forward, when I read it, the language did seem to be worded in such a way that suggested the state had the rights

and they were granting the parents rights. When a story is shared like the person from Sitka yesterday, it leads me to believe that there is confusion regarding who the children belong to, the state or the parents.

Being in the homeschooling community in Anchorage for nine years also leads me to believe that kids being several grade levels above is common. We in the homeschooling dance to the beat of a different drum. I don't believe that our educational successes in the home are unusual. From the discussions yesterday, the feedback from the rural areas seems to indicate that they operate to the beat of a different drum also. Which further leads me to believe the parents have the fundamental right to make the choices for their children regarding education. Although I recognize that this may be a little off topic, Common Core and states having Federally approved standards and curriculum seem to be driving some of this and should be beaten back at all costs.

Respectfully,

Michael S Johnson

3891 Caravelle Dr Anchorage, AK 99502 907-632-2116 (btwn 2:00 and 5:00 pm weekdays)in

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From: jrockclimb@aol.com

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Senator.Gary.Steven@akleg.gov; Senator.Mike.Dunleavy@akleg.gov

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Subject: SB89

Dear Senators,

I ask that committee members consider changing the language of the current SB89 to recognize the right of the parent as a natural right rather than something granted by the state. This will ensure that parents make the best decisions for their children regarding education.

Respectfully,

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From:

Mark Klingler < m.d.klingler@hotmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, April 08, 2015 8:25 AM

To:

Sen. Mike Dunleavy

Subject:

SB 89

Good Morning,

Could you put my family down as supporting SB 89. This is very important legislation! We appreciate all your time and work to get this up for consideration.

Thank You,

Mark & Denise Klingler

From:

Samantha Savage <ppaction@ppvotesnorthwest.org>

Sent:

Wednesday, April 08, 2015 8:25 AM

To:

Sen. Mike Dunleavy

Subject:

Protect Alaska Youth and Oppose SB 89

Apr 8, 2015

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Dear Senator Dunleavy,

I am writing to urge that you oppose SB 89, legislation that would make it harder for Alaska youth to access the crucial sexual health education and social services they need. Additionally, it would block Planned Parenthood from providing any sexual health education in schools.

I graduated from Colony High School in 2011. As a freshman I received comprehensive sex education. It was honest and informative and was done so in a space that felt safe. It also dispelled some misconceptions students had about sex. As a now college senior attending UAF I now know about how devastating Alaska's number's are in regards to STI's and how we just aren't getting any better. There needs to be a real effort to educate Alaskan's of all ages.

I understand we are in a tricky budget situation and there may not be school staff who are available to deliver this quality education to students. Planned Parenthood is a valuable resource to Alaska.

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I also oppose any proposal that would block Planned Parenthood from providing comprehensive sexual health education in schools. Trying to score political points by making it harder for students to get the sexual health education they need is no way to govern.

Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

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Marina Lindsey <ppaction@ppvotesnorthwest.org>

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There are plenty of statistics to prove that comprehensive sex education improves lives and saves states money. Healthy teens can get an education, and in turn, will have more opportunities at a fruitful life. Alaska has the highest clamidia rate in the country. Gonorea is becoming antibiotic resistant and AIDS is dramatically on the rise in Indiana. Now is not the time to restrict access to comprehensive sex education. As leaders in our state, please make sure that teens have access in our schools to unbiased information that will allow them to make informed decisions

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Sincerely,

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Cathy,

I used to provide sex education from Public Health in all 8 th grade classes back in the 1980s. I taught the biology of sexuality, protection against diseases and exploitation. I had hand written questions asked anonymously in a can passed around class, if it was normal to have sex with your step father! Young people need information to protect their young lives. Not all parents can be counted on to provide a safe home.

If you want to grow our economy in Alaska, then you better support the education that teaches young women how to take care of themselves and plan their families. If the Legislature really cared about Alaskans, they would subsidize birth control giving young people the opportunity to grow their lives as good citizens, parents and contribute to their communities.

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Sincerely,

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Dear Senator Dunleavy,

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Please take note that the ONLY way to prevent teen pregnancies is education as the "abstinence only" method has been proven to fail miserably.

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Sincerely,

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In order for our youth to make wise decisions regarding their sexual health they need to know the reproductive system and pathology. This is a subject that many like to avoid, but it doesn't make it go away.

Sexual and reproductive system health should be given the same level of attention as dietary and physical health. It's part of a whole system, the human body.

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Providing youth accurate and comprehensive information about sexual and reproductive health prepares them to make choices that will lead to healthy and productive lives.

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Sincerely,

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Many parents don't have the skills to approach their children with factual information on do's and don't of sexual behavior. Children don't always listen to their parents either. When a child receives this information from an out of home source, they deem it more reliable. It is better that they get the correct infomation from sources like Planned Parenthood and health education programs in the schools, than from fellow students, who often have incorrect information and wild roomers. Students who get the correct information are less likely to indulge in risky sexual behavior and less likely to get pregnant or contract STD's. Please do not block students access to correct sexual education. Don't approve SB 89

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I also oppose any proposal that would block Planned Parenthood from providing comprehensive sexual health education in schools. Trying to score political points by making it harder for students to get the sexual health education they need is no way to govern.

Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

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From:

Raymond M < raymondm2@mtaonline.net>

Sent:

Wednesday, April 08, 2015 10:13 AM

To:

Sen. Mike Dunleavy

Subject:

Thanks for sponsoring the Alaska Parental Rights in Education Bill.

Thanks! This is huge.

If there was one thing that I might consider missing that I've noted in the national news, Suggestion to add. Public school employees cannot as or offer a questionnaire about guns in the house or owned etc. There might need to be exceptions for law enforcement in certain situations. This may not fit this bill, but might.

New but same Subject. One that concerns me greatly. This isn't a grand sell, I don't want to write this, many of us work hard. Included below are numbers to make Alaska financial status mean something to me, and it's staggering.

How important? I've already thought about selling everything and leaving, we've invested our entire lives of work in real estate here, yet it seems that the state can't find how to cut money out of one of the fattest state budgets anywhere. I don't really have hard recent numbers, my rough view, the <u>State debt per person \$40.714</u>, were #1 and not by a little bit! Oil price is <u>still pressured to go down</u>. The People of this State seem to have voted for greed to take more from business. Example and Suggestion and rough options.

Example. Here is an example of beginnings to start. Ohio has put an <u>expense and online checkbook</u> up so people can search. This only works a little retroactively, but shaming can be useful. This however, is really too late for Alaska, as it would be already spent. Does a representative really fear what he can be sorry for when he is getting paid for in votes at the next election, it's spent, I'm sorry, I'm a conservative, it was a compromise to get something good done, please someone else pay the debt.

State debt per person of 40k!!! State Spending of \$15,732.99 PER CAPITA, (actually I believe more) which means for a an average household size of 2.65 persons(2010), Spending per household of \$41,689.80. The per capita tax collections are \$6,962. (2013) Minus Spent \$15,732 = (\$8770) per household (23,240.50). It's time to quit stealing from our neighbor and our children and Love each other as ourselves.

I would like to see a campaign for those who wish to participate, for people to vote via online questionnaire what they'd like to cut and support based on spending proposals of each member of Congress. This is like a line item veto for the voter. I want this campaign to define a maximum amount to be spent based on current income, and for people to choose what to spend it on by proportion. This would help inform congress what to spend on and give congressmen cover in not spending money due to lack of interest in outcome per value.

Current alternative income realities.

People with no income tax will vote for income taxes, so this won't work. Workers will move and fly back to work the slope. Income will flee. But for example. We personally are above median income, and our State Income Tax would be over 150% of Federal tax.

Make it a real estate tax and owners will flee. This won't work, because banks won't loan on a house with over 33% income spent on house. Let's do a little math anyway.

First a comparison. [30yr Loan on 350,000 at 3.5% with excellent credit is \$1,936.24 per month, or the same amount the state is taxing us every month(23,240.50/12=1,936.70)]

So to qualify to pay the tax, qualifying income would be \$77,500 per year for tax alone. Then additional \$48000 in income per \$100,000 value of home.

Average home price is \$248,000. To qualify, one's income would have to be about \$197,500 annually.

So, It will have to be a State Sales Tax. Is this the solution?

The per capita income in Alaska is \$32,651 or by Household \$70,760. After 15% for federal taxes, 5% for retirement, 30% for home, If everything left over the \$35,380 were spent in Alaska. So to recover the State Deficit per household (\$23,240.50), we would need a sales tax of 191.4%. The Citizen could reduce his/her needs and only spend \$12,139.5 with the 191.4% sales tax, to make up the State Deficit \$23,240.50 and break even.

It doesn't matter which way or all three, the entire State of Alaska would become a Village on the North Slope and We haven't paid down our debt yet.

To say we have a spending problem is not true. We have a problem of Grand Theft!

My city property taxes are 13,000 now. Federal scale of Debt can't even be tracked well, 200k plus per person. When the Fed quits printing money, my taxes might just pay the interest and a little. My state is just piling on.

Sincerely, Mike, this isn't meant to dump on you. I'm praising you for the opportunity to defend our children morally, they don't know what we've done to them yet financially.

My State should be a place to defend me, not allow it's citizens plundered indefensibly.

Praying for the State. Be Wise, Thanks Raymond Miller.

From:

Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotesnorthwest.org> on behalf of

Tanya Holley <ppaction@ppvotesnorthwest.org>

Sent:

Wednesday, April 08, 2015 10:26 AM

To:

Sen. Mike Dunleavy

Subject:

Protect Alaska Youth and Oppose SB 89

Apr 8, 2015

Senator Michael Dunleavy State Capitol, Room 11 120 Fourth Street Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Senator Dunleavy,

I am writing to urge that you oppose SB 89, legislation that would make it harder for Alaska youth to access the crucial sexual health education and social services they need. Additionally, it would block Planned Parenthood from providing any sexual health education in schools.

Too many children and adults have little accurate information about sex and sexual health. I too "Sex ED" and received a lot of healthy information about being respected, being safe and making my own decisions.

Planned Parenthood is an excellent organization and should not be excluded from providing needed care and information.

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

Ms. Tanya Holley (443 La Perouse #5 Juneau, AK 99801 (907) 321-5191



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Dear Senators,

We NEED to educate youth on healthy sex practices, physical health and proper family planning! This will significantly reduce the number of youth pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases!!! The school system is the healthiest way for youth to learn about these subjects if they do not have a open and safe place to communicate outside of school!

I was born and raised in a religouse family and educated my self on safe sex practices and healthy sex practices through Planned Parenthood!!! If it wernt them I would have been a number in the statistics of youth pregnacies. Ignoring this problem is disintegrating the fabric of our family bonds! We can help significantly reduce the numbers of youth pregnancies and sexually

transmitted disease by EDUCATING YOUTH!!!! Stop duming down our society by ignoring this GROWING issue!!!!!

Ashley Toolson

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Sincerely,

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As someone who has years of experience working with Alaska's at-risk and homeless youth, I have witnessed firsthand the challenges these youth face without access to education as a preventative measure.

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Sincerely,

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Sexual education in schools is vital; informed children become informed young adults, who then become informed adults. The rates of sexually transmitted infections and unplanned pregnancy has been proven to be lower in adolescemts who have had comprehensive sex eduction while they were in school. We need to ensure that our nation's young people have access to comprehensive sex education; removing this would be incredibly detrimental to this state.

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Sincerely,

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From:

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Education is the cornerstone to preventing unwanted pregnancies and disease transmission. Ignorance of sexual issues only propagates more abortions. Please reconsider your stance on this issue.

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

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Marika Allely <ppaction@ppvotesnorthwest.org>

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Dear Senator Dunleavy,

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This is ridiculous. The abstinence-only education I received from the anchorage school district was entirely inadequate and did absolutely nothing to prepare me for a healthy sex life. The people of Alaska deserve better and this broken system has to change.

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

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The worst sexual abuse occurs when family members assault babies and children. To require parents to opt-in to sex education gives parent abusers a great opportunity to continue abusing children and teenagers.

Twenty + years ago, I taught Human Sexuality at Anchorage Community College and University of Alaska Anchorage. In spite of my knowledge of the field, I was stunned by the fact that most female students took the class because they had been sexually abused by family members when they were children, sometimes continuing to ages 18, 19, 20 and beyond.

Your duty as a legislator is to follow Section 1 of the Alaskan Constitution, which ensures that "all persons are equal and entitled to equal rights, opportunities, and protections under the law." Fact-based honest age-appropriate sex education is part of that protection.

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

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Planned parenthood works to provide evidenced based education on sexual health. As a state who is facing alarming rates sexually transmitted infections and sexual violence, we should be encouraging comprehensive sexual education for Alaska youth. A diversity of partners and educators, including Planned Parenthood, is needed to address these critical education needs.

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

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I was born in Alaska in 1952; raised all three of my kids here and am helping with raising my grandkids. Sex education was poor when I received it and has not improved over the years in the public schools. With the on-again off-again funding of our schools, we need the services provided by Planned Parenthood.

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Sincerely,

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Sexual health education is important for healthy decision making, and leading a healthy life.

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

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With the highest chlamydia rate of all the 50 states, efforts to limit education seems short sighted.

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Sincerely,

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Requiring opt-in regulations for the sexual education portions of health education is profoundly ignorant. Would you also require opt-in policies for matrix modules in math curriculums or for the gold rush period of Alaska history class? Why not be consistent and broaden the bill?

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

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1. We all agree on the importance of education in a person's life.

Academic education for a person's financial future and, the other important education, i.e. sexual education. With today's culture offering an abundance of opportunity for sexual exploration, whether we agree with it or not, our young people need to be armed with as much knowledge about their bodies and what they can do to protect themselves from unwanted assaults, diseases, infections and unplanned pregnancy.

As citizens and parents of young people we can not wish this natural exploration away, we need to provide and make easily available the Planned Parenthood education.... this is the armor we can provide for our children's self protection.

2. If parents want to "opt in" to the Planned Parenthood teaching scenario-fine- but to write up a Bill to make this so, is a waste of time and MONEY! In our schools, if requested, parents may sit in a classroom if requested. As far as doing good for the young adults present in the classroom, I doubt this is what would be accomplished.

Any person generally doesn't want their parents to have ANY inkling what kind of sexual interest, questions, worries, activity, etc. they are participating in, so having a parent "opt in" is going to do more harm than good. Please support having these kids learn how to take care of themselves. It's called self-care and it works.

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I also oppose any proposal that would block Planned Parenthood from providing comprehensive sexual health education in schools. Trying to score political points by making it harder for students to get the sexual health education they need is no way to govern.

Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

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Wednesday, April 08, 2015 3:26 PM

To:

Sen. Mike Dunleavy

Subject:

Protect Alaska Youth and Oppose SB 89

Apr 8, 2015

Senator Michael Dunleavy State Capitol, Room 11 120 Fourth Street Juneau. AK 99801-1182

Dear Senator Dunleavy,

I am writing to urge that you oppose SB 89, legislation that would make it harder for Alaska youth to access the crucial sexual health education and social services they need. Additionally, it would block Planned Parenthood from providing any sexual health education in schools.

Surely Planned Parenthood is one of the most effective and least expensive ways to provide vital sexual health education to low income people in Alaska. The health screening, family planning, and affordable competent medical information provided by this organization is incredibly important to our citizens.

Take this opportunity to stand up for Alaskan women, men, and families and oppose SB 89. Since the Legislature seems so determined to block health care through Medicaid, don't follow up that crushing blow to the poor by blocking funding to Planned Parenthood as well. It would be unconscionable.

The act of disallowing health care to Alaska's citizens is shameful. I urge you to oppose SB 89.

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Cc:

Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins

Subject:

Testimony in support of SB89 and SB80, HB278 and HB85

April 8th, 2015

Dear Representatives of the Senate Education committee,

I am writing to say that I am in 100% support of SB89 for the protection of our children.

I am also in support of and stand behind SB80.

I have also written to the representatives of the House Education Committee in support of keeping the funding as already voted on and promised in HB278. The unexpected proposed cuts are too much for Sitka School District to endure, our town is already suffering financially. As a parent of three children in the school system here, I do not wish to leave a legacy of our legislature using a slash and burn cutting approach on the funding for their education. There must be another way. I also 100% in support of HB85.

Thank you for your time and consideration of my written testimony.

Sincerely,

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