

**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Lance Roberts <roberts.lance@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 02, 2015 2:17 PM  
**Subject:** SB89 Parental Rights

To the Senate Education Committee:

I would like to encourage you to move SB89, which recognizes the rights of parents to direct their child's education, out of committee. This is exactly the type of protections we should be implementing.

Thanks,

Lance Roberts  
Fairbanks

**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Earl Lackey <elackey@mtaonline.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 02, 2015 3:00 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** SB 89

Senator Dunleavy,

Please help support SB 89 for parental rights in Alaska.

Thanks,

Earl P Lackey, President

Mat-Valley Sportsmen, Inc.

355-1541

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** David Boyle <pennyak@earthlink.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 02, 2015 3:38 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** Support for SB 89

Senator Dunleavy,

I want to thank you for sponsoring SB 89, empowering parents with the right to direct their children's education. It is unfortunate that today a law has to be written to define what a parents constitutional rights and responsibilities are. But that is where we are at in many areas, especially education.

I would like to note that when NCLB was in effect, a school district was required to notify parents who had children enrolled in a school, that had failed NCLB 3 years or more, that those parents had a right by State and Federal law to get their kids out of a failed school and enroll them in a successful school. The district was to provide at least 2 successful public schools which that parent could choose from. This was called public school choice.

However, in the ASD this public school choice was made extremely difficult by the Administration. It notified the parents of their options one day after the normal registration window closed. The notice was written in a bureaucratic language so difficult that even a physician friend could not understand it. This is a great example of an abuse of the bureaucracy overriding the intent of law. My point is one must be very careful when legislation such as SB 89 is written so it cannot be undermined. But you probably already know this.

In Sec. 14.03(a)(6): does "an unlawful absence" mean that the student would have an excused absence in this paragraph?

In Sec. 14.03(b) (pg 2, line 30) please change "natural" to "biological". As an adoptive parent, I like to be considered a "natural" parent too!

Once again, thank you for helping empowering parents in the education arena.

Sincerely,

David & Linda Boyle  
District 28

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Laural Jackson <ljackson@dgsd.us>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 03, 2015 11:00 AM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Berta Gardner  
**Subject:** Parent Bill of Rights

Good Day

I wish to comment on SB 89 Parents Right. Among the many objections that I have to this bill is first and foremost that in giving parents these "rights" you are neglecting to address what effect this will have on the schools and districts. When parents "opt out" of testing, they are counted against the school they attend and we then suffer the consequences. This is already the situation that we face by including attendance in ASPI scores. Schools are being held accountable for things over which they have no control. In addressing the concerns of a few, you are creating a new problem.

Whenever we choose to participate in a governmental program, we also choose to accept the rules that govern the program. When I choose to drive on state maintained roads, I am obliged to follow the rules of the road or suffer the consequences. If I choose to apply for my PFD dividend, I must agree to participate in jury duty. That is life. If parents chose to have their children participate in a publicly funded program, they also choose to follow the rules of the program.

Thanks for listening.

*Laural Jackson, Superintendent*  
Delta/Greely School District  
907-895-4657 ex 24

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**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Kamryn Green <dkgreen@acsalaska.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 03, 2015 11:11 AM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** SB89

Good morning Senator Dunleavy,

As a mother of four children, involved in both the public school system and homeschooling, I strongly support Taryn Luskleets Committee Substitute for SB89. Thank you for your careful consideration for the important wording on SB89.

Sincerely,

Kamryn Green

North Pole, AK

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** H Swinney <hellann1@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 03, 2015 1:50 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy; Sen. Berta Gardner; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Gary Stevens; Rep. Tammie Wilson; Rep. Wes Keller  
**Subject:** Parental rights / SB89

I am writing in support of AACC Committee's **SB89 Substitute**, which will affirm parents' natural rights and affect educational issues in the way parents assume a Parental Rights bill would.

The original puts parameters around our rights and burden of proof upon parents.

The Substitute SB89 clarifies that parental rights are inherent, not "allowed" by a school board, other any other school/state entity, protects parental rights in *\*all\** forms of education including independent homeschooling, and addresses other language issues in the bill.

Mrs. Heather Swinney

### **Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 89**

#### **A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to a parent's natural right to direct the education of their child; and  
2 relating to questionnaires administered in schools."

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

4 \* Section 1. AS 14.03 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 Sec. 14.03.016. A parent's natural right to direct the education of their child.

6 (a) A local school shall recognize the natural right of a parent to direct  
7 their child's education. No regulation or policy shall usurp this right.

8 (1) The local board shall recognize the right of a parent to object to and withdraw  
9 their child(ren) from an activity, class, performance standard, test, assessment, or  
10 any program for any reason.

11 (2) The board shall recognize the parent's right to review the content of an  
12 activity, class, performance standard, test, assessment, or program;

13 (3) providing for parent notification not less than two weeks before  
14 any human reproduction, health, or sex education instruction or presentation is  
15 provided to a child and requiring written permission from the child's parent before  
16 their child(ren) may participate in the instruction or presentation;

17 (4) ensuring that when a child is absent from an activity, class, performance  
18 standard test, assessment, or program under this section, the absence is  
19 not considered an unlawful absence under AS 14.30.020.

20 (b) The Alaska Department of Education and Early Development shall recognize the  
21 natural right of parents to direct the education of their child(ren). No regulation shall  
01 be passed that infringes upon this right.

02 (c) In this section,

03 (1) "child" means an unemancipated minor under 18 years of age;

04 (2) "local school board" has the meaning given in AS 14.03.290;

05 (3) "parent" means the natural or adoptive parent of a child or a child's legal  
06 guardian;

07 (4) "school district" has the meaning given in AS 14.30.350.

08 Alaska Department of Education and Early Development as defined in  
Sec. 14.07.010.

09 Sec. 14.03.110 (a) is amended to include  
10 (g) the provisions of this law shall also apply to the Alaska Department of Education  
11 and Early Development as defined in Sec. 14.07.010.  
12 \* Sec. 3. AS 14.03.110(d) is amended to read:  
13 (d) The school shall give a student's parent or guardian an opportunity to  
14 review the questionnaire or survey described under (b) or (c) of this section and shall  
15 publish the questionnaire or survey on the district's website two weeks prior. The  
16 school or district shall give the parent or guardian written notice regarding  
17 (1) how the questionnaire or survey will be administered to the student;  
18 (2) how the results of the survey or questionnaire will be used; and  
19 (3) who will have access to the questionnaire, [OR] survey, or results.

**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Barbara Haney <barbarahaney100@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 02, 2015 10:02 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Berta Gardner; Sen. Cathy Giessel  
**Cc:** Rynnieva Moss; LK Alaska; chris & taryn; James Osterman; Mike Coons; pahomeschooler1; Rep. Lora Reinbold; Maria Rensel; Lance Roberts; Ed Gray; Miller John & Candy; jon.watts; Carol Carman; Daniel Hamm; nathan@beatirs.com; Rep. Tammie Wilson; Rep. Wes Keller; Rep. Jim Colver; Rep. Liz Vazquez; Rep. David Talerico  
**Subject:** Senate Bill 89 Substitute  
**Attachments:** SB 89 Substitute Recommendation by AACC.pdf

Dear Senators,

I appreciate the spirit and intent of Senate Bill 89. However, there are some language issues that need to be addressed. It is in that spirit I am proposing the attached substitute.

Free people do not ask a local board of any kind to be "allowed" or "granted" a right, particularly when that right is already in current law. Thus, it should not be stated that the local board "grants" or "allows" the right. Rather it should be the local board **recognizing** that right.

The version that the activists involved in the Alaskans Against Common Core group proposes changes to the language to assert the parent's right as a natural right and instructs the local school board to recognize that right. Attached you will find a version of the bill that makes language changes that strengthens the right of the parent. You will also find it at <https://www.scribd.com/doc/260754156/SB-89-AACC-Substitute-to-the-Current-SB-89>

I hope you will prayerfully consider this substitute.

Sincerely,

Barbara Haney,  
North Pole Alaska



## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Lance Roberts <roberts.lance@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 03, 2015 5:56 AM  
**To:** Barbara Haney  
**Cc:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Berta Gardner; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Rynnieva Moss; Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. Tammie Wilson; Rep. Wes Keller; Rep. Jim Colver; Rep. Liz Vazquez; Rep. David Talerico  
**Subject:** Re: Senate Bill 89 Substitute

I wholeheartedly agree with Dr Haney's request. Please make sure that the language protects the rights of the parents.

Thanks,

Lance Roberts

On Thu, Apr 2, 2015 at 10:02 PM, Barbara Haney <[barbarahaney100@gmail.com](mailto:barbarahaney100@gmail.com)> wrote:

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Sincerely,

Barbara Haney,  
North Pole Alaska

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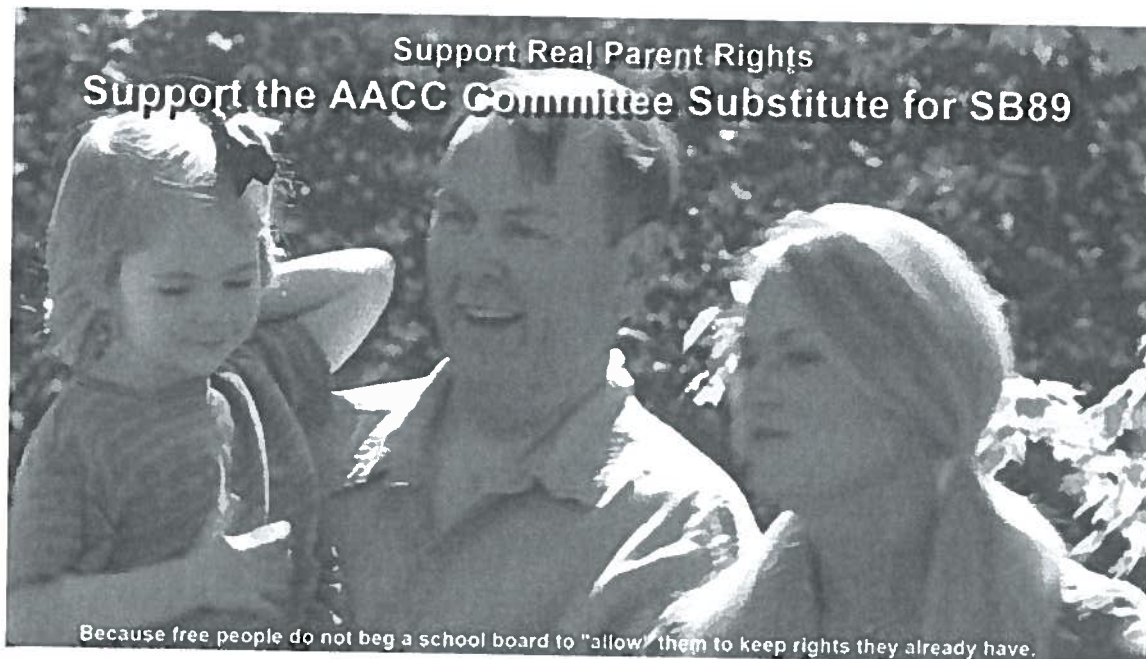
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**From:** Jon Watts <jon.watts@alaskan.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 03, 2015 7:13 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Berta Gardner; Sen. Cathy Giessel  
**Cc:** Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. Tammie Wilson; Rep. Wes Keller; Rep. Jim Colver; Rep. Liz Vazquez; Rep. David Talerico; 'Monica Watts'  
**Subject:** Senate Bill 89 Substitute

Dear Senators,

I have two school age children. I am concerned about the level of outside involvement in my childrens' school curriculum. I appreciate the spirit and intent of Senate Bill 89. However, there are some language issues that need to be addressed. It is in that spirit I am strongly supporting a recent language change submitted by Barbara Haney.

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parent. You will also find it at <https://www.scribd.com/doc/260754156/SB-89-AACC-Substitute-to-the-Current-SB-89>

I thank you for your consideration of this substitution.

Sincerely,

Jon Watts,

North Pole Alaska

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

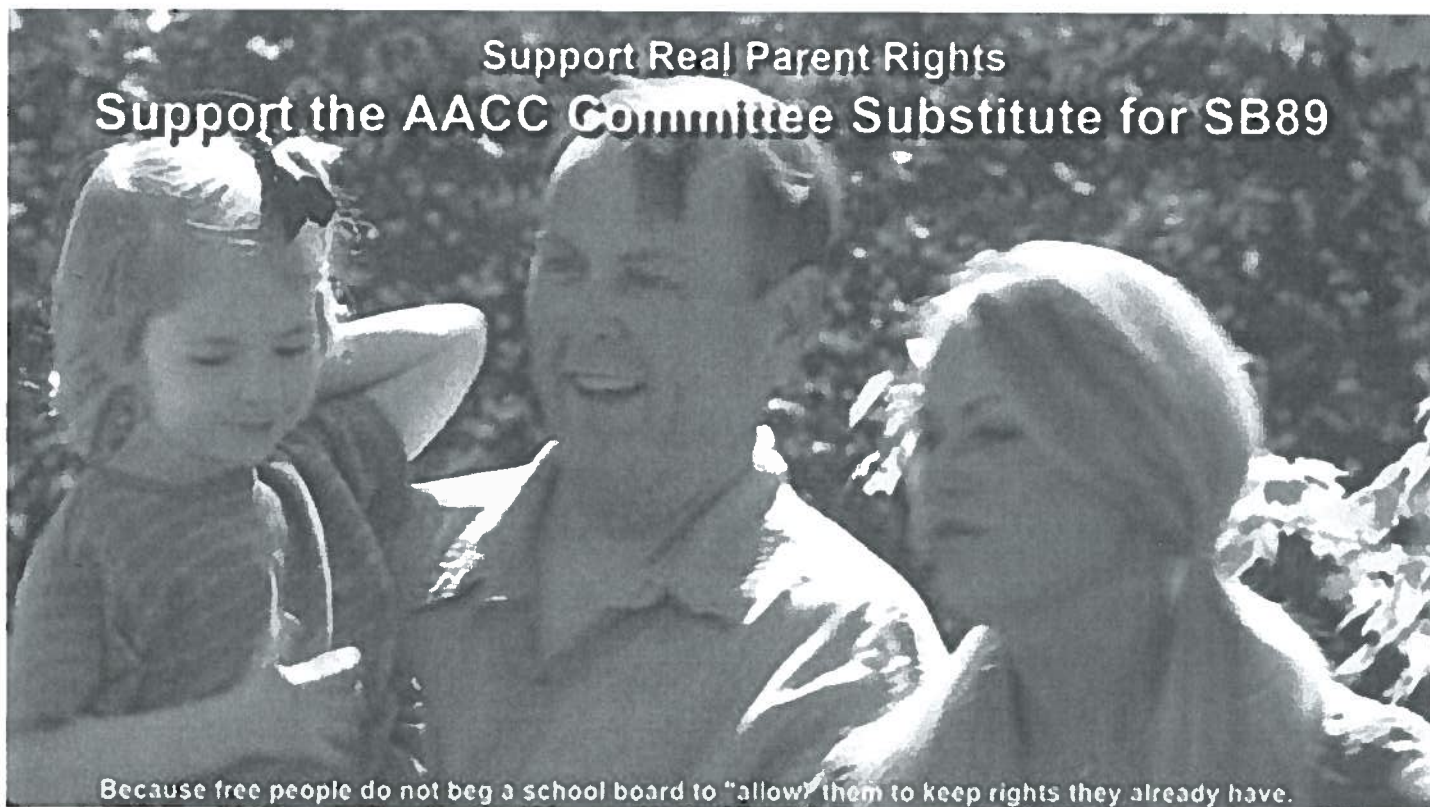
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**From:** Monica Watts <wattsclan@alaskan.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 03, 2015 8:00 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Berta Gardner; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. John Coghill  
**Cc:** Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. Tammie Wilson; Rep. Wes Keller; Rep. Jim Colver; Rep. Liz Vazquez; Rep. David Talerico  
**Subject:** Senate Bill 89 Substitute

Dear Senators,

I am a mother of two school age children. I am concerned about the level of outside involvement in my childrens' school curriculum. I appreciate the spirit and intent of Senate Bill 89. However, there are some language issues that need to be addressed. It is in that spirit I am strongly supporting a recent language change submitted by Barbara Haney.

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I thank you for your consideration of this substitution.

Sincerely,

Monica Watts,

North Pole, Alaska

**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Ron Johnson <ronjohnson@gci.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 03, 2015 8:36 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Cc:** Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Bill Stoltze; Sen. Cathy Giessel  
**Subject:** SB 89

Thank You for sponsoring this piece of legislation. I certainly hope it makes it thru this legislative session, but if not please continue to push this into the Second Session in January of 2016.

It is indeed a sad day when we must pass legislation to re-assert what should be a natural right of a parent.

Ron & Janet Johnson

3350 S Marth Rd

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## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Monica Watts <wattsclan@alaskan.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 03, 2015 9:37 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Berta Gardner; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. John Coghill  
**Cc:** Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. Tammie Wilson; Rep. Wes Keller; Rep. Jim Colver; Rep. Liz Vazquez; Rep. David Talerico; 'jon.watts'  
**Subject:** Senate Bill 89 Substitute

Dear  
Senators,  
April 3, 2015

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I thank you for your consideration of this substitution.

Sincerely,

Monica Watts,

North Pole, Alaska



**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Robert & Bonnie Cameron <rbcameron1997@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 03, 2015 11:53 PM  
**To:** GOV.AllLegislators@alaska.gov  
**Subject:** SB89 Substitute

Please consider this important change. I have read over both bills and support this one instead:  
<http://www.scribd.com/doc/260754405/SB-89-Substitute-Recommendation-by-AACC>

Thank you,  
Bonnie Cameron  
8501 Upper Huffman Road  
Anchorage, AK 99516  
907-529-0828

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Monica Watts <wattsclan@alaskan.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, April 04, 2015 12:04 AM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Berta Gardner; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. John Coghill  
**Cc:** Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. Tammie Wilson; Rep. Wes Keller; Rep. Jim Colver; Rep. Liz Vazquez; Rep. David Talerico  
**Subject:** Dear Senators - Please see letter and attached Senate Bill 89 Substitute

Dear Fellow Alaskans,

Please read the Substitute to Senate Bill 89 on protecting Parental Rights. If you agree, please follow these two easy steps:

1. Delete the email addresses in the BCC (Blind Courtesy Copy) box, and add all of your own Alaskan friends email addresses there.
2. Click send. Thank you for your support.

Note: If you don't see BCC you should be able to get there by clicking on the CC and it will open a window to show TO, CC, & BCC. If that doesn't work, just add them to the CC and hopefully the next person will be kind enough to delete all of the email addresses, **except for those belonging to our Alaska State Senators and House Representatives** and then add their own friends.

Dear Senators,

I am concerned about the level of outside involvement in our school's curriculum. I appreciate the spirit and intent of Senate Bill 89. However, there are some language issues that need to be addressed. It is in that spirit I am strongly supporting a recent language change submitted by Barbara Haney.

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I thank you for your consideration of this substitution.

Sincerely,



**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Jan De Land <deland@cfaith.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 06, 2015 10:46 AM  
**To:** GOV.AllLegislators@alaska.gov  
**Subject:** Substitute to SB 89

Please substitute language in SB89 to change the current bill to **recognize the right of the parent as a natural right rather than something granted by the state!**

Sincerely, Jannis De Land, Anchorage, Alaska

**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** emil.natalie@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Monday, April 06, 2015 1:31 PM  
**To:** GOV.AllLegislators@alaska.gov  
**Subject:** SB 89

Dear Legislator,

Please use this substitute for SB 89.

The substitute mimics pretty closely what the original bill does. The difference is that rather than parents asking a local school board to be "allowed" a right, the substitute directs local boards to recognize a right.

<http://www.scribd.com/mobile/doc/260754405>

Thank you,  
Natalie Demrovski  
Homeschooling Parent

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Jason Hoke <jhoke@cvalaska.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 06, 2015 1:43 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** Support for SB 89

Senator Dunleavy,

I am writing in support of SB 89 that you are proposing. Having been in education as an educator, administrator, and consultant for over 20 years (some of which were in Alaska), I can say without a doubt that educational system has focused too intensely at the standardized test scores. Additionally, they have usurped some parental control over what can and cannot be instructed to children, and how instruction shall be delivered. Furthermore, the incessant focus on testing and scores as a motivator for funding, advancement, and other educator incentives, has lead to a procedural drift within the classroom. One that not only inhibits those "teachable moments" that may be not of the proscribed curriculum requirements, but also makes teachers lock-step with such proscribed curriculum and district mandatory instructional practices.

Senator, I firmly believe, and have put in practice, Howard Gardner's Multiple Intelligence Theory and feel we all possess different intelligences. Moreover, after reading "The Mismeasure of Man" by Stephen Jay Gould, one would understand that the bell curve and standardized tests are pigeon-holing our children. These are reasons I cannot abide by the mandated state testing, nor some of the instructional practice mandates the CRSD has implemented. I wholly support your bill SB 89 giving back some of the controls in school to parents.

Thank you Senator Dunleavy for carrying this bill forward, your dedication to the State, and this Region. Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding this subject and also let me know if there is anything I may do to show this support to the Legislature.

Sincerely,

Jason Hoke  
907-259-5056

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Amy Temple <akteachermom@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 9:20 AM  
**To:** Sen. Berta Gardner; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** SB89

Please truly protect parents' rights by supporting the AACC alternate bill 89 which RECOGNIZES parents' rights instead of "allowing" them. Decisions regarding my children's education belong to me and not any school board or the state. Please support the alternate proposed bill which recognizes this right. I already have this right and no one need "allow" it.

Thank you for your time, for considering this request, and for truly recognizing and supporting a right I already possess.

Sincerely,

Amy Temple  
Fairbanks, AK



**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Gravelles <akstar4@gci.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 9:31 AM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** SB 89 Parental Rights

Please adopt the language in the Alaskans Against Common Core Substitute Version <http://www.scribd.com/.../SB-89-Substitute-Recommendation-by-...> rather than the way the bill is written today. Parents should be the final authority on their own children not the state or federal government.

Eileen Gravelle

**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** fullquiver12@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 10:16 AM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** SB89

Dear Senator Huggins,  
I urge you to accept the AACC substitute for SB89 and stand up for parents' rights to direct their children's education. Protect our real rights!

Sincerely,  
Christina Abel

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Phillipians 4:13

**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Jennifer Waters <jjwaters@acsalaska.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 11:05 AM  
**To:** Sen. Berta Gardner; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** Accept the AACC substitute for SB89

Please use the AACC substitution for SB89. <http://www.scribd.com/mobile/doc/260754405#fullscreen>

Jennifer Waters

Sent from my iPhone

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Tracy Culbert <tlculbert@cs.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 11:17 AM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** SB89

Dear Senator Dunleavy,

I have always been proud of Alaska for supporting the rights of the parent and having the least intrusive laws regarding homeschooling. I have always felt that you were an advocate for parenting rights. I am very alarmed at the wording in Senate Bill #89. The current wording actually takes the rights of parents and places it into the hands of the legislature. If the bill is truly meant to protect the rights of the parents please adopt the language from the Alaskans Against Common Core substitute version. Please know, as a voting citizen, I do not want more government intrusion. I want my parental rights to be intact. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Tracy Culbert

**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** scottinalaska@lycos.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 11:18 AM  
**To:** Sen. Berta Gardner  
**Subject:** Please adopt the SB89 Substitute Recommendation by AACC

Dear Senator,

Please preserve our parent's rights by adopting the SB89 Substitute Recommendation by AACC:

<https://www.scribd.com/doc/260754405/SB-89-Substitute-Recommendation-by-AACC>

Thank you so much for your time and consideration!

Amy Faulkner

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** chris & taryn <luskleets@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 11:25 AM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** RE: SB89 AACC Substitute

Senator Dunleavy,

Thank you for getting back to me. Since I sent that initial email in support of your original SB89, I had a chance to read it in full, more carefully. I have since co-authored the AACC Substitute for SB89. It sounds like we have the same end goal in mind - parental rights. I appreciate the spirit & intent of the original, but there were some language issues that needed to be addressed. The substitute stops currently held parental rights from being placed under the authority of the legislature/state. I think you will find the AACC Substitute to your liking, it is only 2 pages, double-spaced; it's a quick read. Please read & consider.

The original SB89 places rights into the legislature's hands, and once there, it's theirs to give or take. I think that key point is one that has been missed; it would create unintended consequences. These are rights currently in parents' hands; amendments & wording in the original place them in the legislature's/state's hands by giving them authority to allow, provide for, grant, etc. exercise of those rights within parameters such as if it is harmful to the child. The parents would be left with the burden to prove harm. There is also a religious holiday exemption, but then parents are left having to prove their church/synagogue/etc. membership or present evidence from their family's holy book - this is what we are seeing unfold in other states. No parameters should be placed on these rights. The substitute is not a mere improvement, it saves parental rights regarding their children's education from being handed over to the state. Please preserve real parental rights by requesting the AACC Substitute.

Here is a link to it: <http://www.scribd.com/doc/260754405/SB-89-Substitute-Recommendation-by-AACC>  
It is included as an attachment as well.

I ask with all urgency that you please seriously consider the substitute offered here, and thank you for your time & attention to this matter.

Sincerely,  
Taryn Luskleet  
North Pole, AK

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From: Sen.Mike.Dunleavy@akleg.gov  
To: luskleets@hotmail.com  
Subject: RE: Support HB80 and HB89  
Date: Tue, 7 Apr 2015 18:29:31 +0000

Dear Taryn,

Thank you for your e-mail regarding Senate Bill 89. I appreciate hearing your comments on parental rights. I believe that parents are the ultimate authority regarding their children. Too often we see parents pitted against government in decisions regarding children's education and upbringing. I am thus sponsoring this bill to re-

balance that relationship. I feel it essential to ensure that our public educational system acknowledges the essential rights of parents, and that schools adopt policies to encourage parental involvement.

As the stewards of their children, parents must be guaranteed the right to make the decisions they feel are best for their children's education.

Thanks again for your correspondence and I look forward to future communications.

Sincerely,

**Senator Mike Dunleavy**

*Alaska State Legislature*

Alaska State Capitol, Room 11

Juneau, AK 99801

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**From:** chris & taryn [mailto:luskleets@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 25, 2015 2:31 PM  
**To:** gov.alllegislators@alaska.gov; Rep. Tammie Wilson; Sen. John Coghill  
**Subject:** Support HB80 and HB89

Good afternoon again,

In addition to my other correspondence, please support SB89 and SB80, regarding parental rights and the Dept. of Education, which were introduced today by Senator Dunleavy. This is of utmost importance to our school children and families since some testing has already begun and will begin in earnest next week.

Thank you,

Taryn Luskleet

North Pole, AK



**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Jeff and Linda Sisson <hang10ak@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 11:54 AM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy; Sen. Berta Gardner; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Gary Stevens  
**Subject:** SB89

Honorable Sen Dunleavy, Sen Gardner, Sen Giesel, Sen Huggins and Sen Stevens,

I wish to express my support for SB89 **"An Act relating to a parent's right to direct the education of a child; and relating to questionnaires administered in schools."**

I am requesting that the committee adopt the language in the Alaskans Against Common Core Substitute Version <http://www.scribd.com/doc/260754405/SB-89-Substitute-Recommendation-by-AACC>

The Supreme Court of the United States has traditionally and continuously upheld the principle that parents have the fundamental right to direct the education and upbringing of their children. The government **may not infringe on this right.**

Please consider carefully this legislation and give it your support. Thank you.

Jeff and Linda Sisson  
(907) 252-0217

## **Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Ruthann Snider <tantaruthie@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 12:14 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** Parents Rights  
**Attachments:** substitute recommendation for parent right to refuse.pdf

Senator Dunleavy,

I am writing you today, to please ask that you continue to protect the rights of parents. My children mean EVERYTHING to me! Most peoples children do. Please do not sign this bill that strips my rights to make choices for my children, without first considering these ammendments to the bill, as it stands.

The far reaching consequences of taking away the parents rights are too great! This is not just about testing. This is about having all the facts, and knowing that my children's information is safe. This is about having the right to refuse based on moral, religious, and ethical reasons, to have my child participate in an activity, test, or event. I am not close minded. I want my children tested, because I want to know they are getting a solid education! It should be MY CHOICE, however, to choose how I want my child tested.

One of my children does not handle stress of testing well. This is something I am working hard on. This style of testing is too harsh for her. I am discouraged by the forced testing of even children with ILP's and severe learning disabilities, in a high stress environment.

I should have the right to opt out of this type of testing, and I am willing to substitute with a different test (MAP testing is one option) that would give me the benchmark of where my child is, but could be done in a less stressful setting, and without extraneous information being gathered for use of researchers and other entities.

I am fully aware that there are some people who do not take the care they should in giving their children a solid education, but I have a very hard time seeing the logic of taking everyone's rights away to correct the misuse of some people's rights. We could hope that that would encourage all of us to apply peer pressure to make them correct their ways... but since that hasn't worked out so well for my kids and their making poor choices... I don't hold much hope!

The point is, I know my child. I want the best for her. I also know that with this bill, my rights to have a voice are being stripped. I am not ok with sacrificing our freedoms in this country!

Please consider either stopping this bill altogether, or making these ammendments to protect the rights of parents!

Thank you for your efforts thus far, and I ask that you please continue the fight for parents rights!

Ruthann Snider  
Mother- Educator - Defender of her Children

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Dan & Cynthia Carlson <dcejcarlson@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 12:19 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Berta Gardner  
**Subject:** Senate Bill 89  
**Attachments:** SB-89-Substitute.pdf

Dear Education Committee,

You will be meeting on Senate Bill 89 this afternoon. Although I agree with the intent of this legislation, I am concerned with its wording which seems to indicate the school district is the one ultimately in charge of a child's education.

"(a) A local school board shall, in consultation with parents, teachers, and school administrators, adopt policies to promote the involvement of parents in the school district's education program."

I have read the current bill and have also read a recommended substitute (attached). I feel that the two following statements from the recommended substitute provide a more solid representation of parental rights in education.

"(a) A local school shall recognize the natural right of a parent to direct their child's education. No regulation or policy shall usurp this right."

"(1) The local board shall recognize the right of a parent to object to and withdraw their child(ren) from an activity, class, performance standard, test, assessment, or 10 any program for any reason."

Please consider rewording this piece of legislation to protect our rights as parents.

Cynthia Carlson  
Wasilla

**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Peggy Eymann <lilacstolupins@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 1:07 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** SB 89 Parent Right to Refuse

As a concerned parent, I am asking that you stop SB 89 in its present form. Please adopt the language in the Alaskans Against Common Core version which has local boards recognize the right parents have, rather than asking local boards to "allow" this right.

Thank you.  
Peggy Eymann

Sent from my Windows Phone

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Tara Aumau <aumaut@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 3:21 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** SB89

Senator Dunleavy,

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Please consider carefully this legislation and give it your support. Thank you.

Tara Aumau  
Concerned Parent and Homeschool Educator

Sent from my iPad

**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Steph C <steph7ak@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 3:25 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** SB89

Dear Senator,

As an elected official of the people of Alaska, I ask you to **please** consider the SB89 substitute recommendation by AACC. My understanding is that this would change the language of the current SB89 to recognize the right of the parent(s) as a *natural* right rather than something granted by the state.

With the respect due your position and prayers for your wisdom,  
Stephanie Cochran  
Fairbanks

**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Josslyn Graham <josslyn.graham@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 3:27 PM  
**To:** Sen. Berta Gardner; sentor.cathy.giessel@akleg.gov; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** SB 89 Substitute Recommendation by AACC

Please uphold our rights as parents in OUR children's education by using the SB 89 Substitute recommendation by the AACC!

<https://www.scribd.com/doc/260754405/SB-89-Substitute-Recommendation-by-AACC>

Thank you,  
Josslyn Graham

**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Rachelle Seiber <deettap@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 3:38 PM  
**To:** gov.alllegislators@alaska.gov  
**Subject:** Senate Bill 89

Good Afternoon,

I am writing to encourage you to consider changing the wording of Senate Bill 89 to 'recognize the right of the parent as a natural right rather than something granted by the state'. In the same way that our nation's constitution says 'we hold these truths to be self-evident' I believe that the rights of parents are self-evident and the state can acknowledge this right, but can not grant that right. Our constitution affirms that we are endowed by our creator with certain unalienable right. The constitution does not give us these right, but states that we already have those rights. In the same way, I support SB89 if it reaffirms the self-evident right that parents have to make decisions for their children and their families.

Thank you for considering the concerns of Alaskan families in your decision making on this matter.

Rachelle Seiber



## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Shaelynn Travis <shaetravis@icloud.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 3:58 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** SB 89

Hello,

I am a parent who has chosen to homeschool my children! We did this because we want to ensure our children have a grounded education and not be pushed through as a number with an ending result of feeling like a failure per the testing that is being given to the children. As an American, as a Parent, I have the right to choose what I feel is best for my kids. The testing that is forced on kids is not okay with me, common core is not okay with me and I want to let you know that I want to keep my right to choose for my family. I stand behind the Alaskans Against Common Core and I do not agree with the taking of parents rights. My kids should not be force into taking a test that will do nothing for them. It is the freedom that generations of men and women fought and died for. Don't take it away!!!!

Thank you,  
Shaelynn Travis  
A concerned parent!

Sent from my iPhone

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Vanessa Reinhardt <nessraerein@live.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 4:08 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Cc:** Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Berta Gardner  
**Subject:** SB 89 language

To the Senate Education Committee-

It is the intention of many to write and/or call in today regarding their support for SB 89, but also to encourage a slight change in language in the bill. After reviewing the documents posted today which have addressed changing the term "allow" to the phrase "recognize the authority of", I see that this issue was quickly attended to on your end. My husband and I, as a homeschooling family of over seven years now, heartily support any legislation shoring up the natural rights of parents and families.

Thank you for your time spent reading and considering the thoughts of your constituents, it does not go unnoticed.

Vanessa Reinhardt  
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## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** June Strothenke <strothenkejj@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 06, 2015 1:55 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy; Sen. Charlie Huggins; Sen. Gary Stevens; Sen. Berta Gardner; Sen. Cathy Giessel; Sen. John Coghill  
**Cc:** Rep. Lora Reinbold; Rep. Tammie Wilson; Rep. Wes Keller; Rep. Jim Colver; Rep. Liz Vazquez; Rep. David Talerico  
**Subject:** Support SB89 Substitute

Greetings Senators,

As my friend, Taryn Luskleet, so eloquently stated, I too, believe that the language of SB 89 should be altered to acknowledge that we are a free people and that any right is inherent, not granted us.

“While I appreciate the spirit and intent of Senate Bill 89, there are some language concerns that need to be addressed. It is in that spirit I am proposing the attached substitute.

Free people do not ask a local board of any kind to be "allowed" or "granted" a right, particularly when that right is already in current law. Thus, it should not be stated that the local board "grants" or "allows" the right. Rather it should be the local board **recognizing** that right.

The version that the activists involved in the Alaskans Against Common Core group proposes changes to the language to assert the parent's right as a natural right and instructs the local school board to recognize that right. You will find a version of the bill that makes language changes that strengthens the right of the parent at <http://www.scribd.com/doc/260754405/SB-89-Substitute-Recommendation-by-AACC>

Please do carefully consider this substitute. “

Sincerely,

June Strothenke

“Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.” Proverbs 22:6

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotessnorthwest.org> on behalf of Nanette Greer <ppaction@ppvotessnorthwest.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 5:24 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** Protect Alaska Youth and Oppose SB 89

Apr 7, 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 stay out of medical issues which you know nothing about. If you wished to be medical providers you should have put in the time and money toward the education and degree to do so. Your personal views are hurting our youth and their reproductive health by limiting education which will help them in the long run.

SB 89 would limit students' access to reproductive health education and sexual assault awareness and prevention information. With Alaska's devastatingly high sexual assault and sexually transmitted infection rates, the consequences of SB 89 are simply too risky for Alaska's kids and youth.

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.

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,

Mrs. Nanette Greer  
PO Box 71155  
Fairbanks, AK 99707-1155

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotessnorthwest.org> on behalf of Bradley Owens <ppaction@ppvotessnorthwest.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 5:54 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** Protect Alaska Youth and Oppose SB 89

Apr 7, 2015

Senator Michael Dunleavy  
State Capitol, Room 11  
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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.

This is a bill that does not deserve your support. It should be defeated.

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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.

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,

Mr. Bradley Owens  
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Anchorage, AK 99517-1379

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org> on behalf of Kenneth Winterberger <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 5:54 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** Protect Alaska Youth and Oppose SB 89

Apr 7, 2015

Senator Michael Dunleavy  
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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.

I have facilitated comprehensive sexuality education classes for both middle school and High school-age students over the last 15 years. The students who have come through these classes are remarkably prepared. Several have come back and thanked me over the years. They have praised the curriculum and commented on how many of their peers are pretty much clueless on the subject of sexuality. We have had considerable help from Planned Parenthood over the years. They have provided many resources and gained the trust of our students.

Trying to take Planned Parenthood out of the sexuality education equation is senseless. They are the experts!

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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.

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,

Mr. Kenneth Winterberger  
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Anchorage, AK 99516-3509  
(907) 345-5800



## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotessnorthwest.org> on behalf of Robert Winckler <ppaction@ppvotessnorthwest.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 5:54 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** Protect Alaska Youth and Oppose SB 89

Apr 7, 2015

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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.

It's long past time for conservative legislators to stop imposing their religious beliefs on Alaska's youth!

SB 89 would limit students' access to reproductive health education and sexual assault awareness and prevention information. With Alaska's devastatingly high sexual assault and sexually transmitted infection rates, the consequences of SB 89 are simply too risky for Alaska's kids and youth.

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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,

Mr. Robert Winckler  
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Wasilla, AK 99687-7378  
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## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org> on behalf of martin niemi <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 5:54 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** Protect Alaska Youth and Oppose SB 89

Apr 7, 2015

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State Capitol, Room 11  
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Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Senator Dunleavy,

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This makes Alaska more affordable in an expensive state.

SB 89 would limit students' access to reproductive health education and sexual assault awareness and prevention information. With Alaska's devastatingly high sexual assault and sexually transmitted infection rates, the consequences of SB 89 are simply too risky for Alaska's kids and youth.

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.

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,

Mr. martin niemi  
616 Alta Ct  
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## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotessnorthwest.org> on behalf of Benjamin Dixon <ppaction@ppvotessnorthwest.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 5:54 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** Protect Alaska Youth and Oppose SB 89

Apr 7, 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.

Here in Alaska, we have some of the highest rates of STIs in the country. Educating our students about the risks of sexual activity is crucial at a young age, so that when they are inevitably sexually active, they practice sex in a safe manner. Planned Parenthood works every hard in educating our youth on STIs and how to practice safe sex, and blocking them in our schools to score political points is childish, and putting our children at risk.

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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,

Mr. Benjamin Dixon  
227 W 11th Ave  
Anchorage, AK 99501-4473

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotestnorthwest.org> on behalf of Laura Powers <ppaction@ppvotestnorthwest.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 6:24 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** Protect Alaska Youth and Oppose SB 89

Apr 7, 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.

I have been on the hill this winter testifying to House Finance to fund sexual education in our schools. Please oppose SB 89, this does not make sense as Alaska is #1 in Chlamydia rates in the nation. This is nothing to be proud of, Alaska needs to take the lead on this disease by educating our youth to have safe sex. Thanks for listening.

SB 89 would limit students' access to reproductive health education and sexual assault awareness and prevention information. With Alaska's devastatingly high sexual assault and sexually transmitted infection rates, the consequences of SB 89 are simply too risky for Alaska's kids and youth.

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,

Mrs. Laura Powers  
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Juneau, AK 99801-6813  
(907) 723-2081

## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotessnorthwest.org> on behalf of zhenia peterson <ppaction@ppvotessnorthwest.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 6:24 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** Protect Alaska Youth and Oppose SB 89

Apr 7, 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.

My name is Zhenia C. Peterson and I'm currently attending University of Alaska Anchorage, studying Social Work and Public Health.

Along with that, I am the President of a club called VOX. VOX, which stands for Voices for Planned Parenthood is a nationwide chapter, located at many universities and chapters. Our mission on campus is the following...

"Energize and mobilize the new generation of pro-choice Americans. VOX increases young people's awareness of current threats to reproductive health and rights, mobilizes them in support of reproductive freedom, and cultivates their long-term involvement with Planned Parenthood and the pro-choice movement."

In Alaska we have an epidemic! We have a sexual assault epidemic that worsens with time. The second largest city in Alaska is Fairbanks, and since 2012 has been counted as the #1 city for sexual assault in the nation and following closely behind is Anchorage. The Alaska sexual assault rate is nearly two times than the national average and is alarming for most people living in this state.

Our university on campus is working hard to try and make sure that programs like "No More" and "Title IX" are available on campus so that they can educate students about sexual harassment, reporting etc...

However, this is not enough. Education is very important especially in high schools for our youth.

I look forward to hearing from you, with whatever response that you may have.

Thank you!

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

Ms. zhenia peterson  
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Anchorage, AK 995084481  
(907) 227-2895

## **Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotestnorthwest.org> on behalf of Mariko rousculp <ppaction@ppvotestnorthwest.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 07, 2015 6:24 PM  
**To:** Sen. Mike Dunleavy  
**Subject:** Protect Alaska Youth and Oppose SB 89

Apr 7, 2015

Senator Michael Dunleavy  
State Capitol, Room 11  
120 Fourth Street  
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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.

Kids need all education! Not just what the government THINKS is important!

SB 89 would limit students' access to reproductive health education and sexual assault awareness and prevention information. With Alaska's devastatingly high sexual assault and sexually transmitted infection rates, the consequences of SB 89 are simply too risky for Alaska's kids and youth.

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.

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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## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotestnorthwest.org> on behalf of Joel Shelton <ppaction@ppvotestnorthwest.org>  
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Apr 7, 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.

Why would you be against sex ed and what do you have against planned parenthood? Act like grown-ups please.

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

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**Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org> on behalf of Nicole Tozzi <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org>  
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We desperately need more of this education.

SB 89 would limit students' access to reproductive health education and sexual assault awareness and prevention information. With Alaska's devastatingly high sexual assault and sexually transmitted infection rates, the consequences of SB 89 are simply too risky for Alaska's kids and youth.

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

Ms. Nicole Tozzi  
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## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org> on behalf of Jane jensen <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org>  
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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 am a retired R.N, who worked in rural Alaska for 30 + years. I feel this legislation will put the health and welfare of Alaska Youth in jeopardy.

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jane jensen  
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## **Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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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.

Sex Education is only a course in biology. It teaches facts. Facts, which should not emit fear in our members of the legislature.

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

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## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org> on behalf of Jane Reilly <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org>  
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Apr 7, 2015

Senator Michael Dunleavy  
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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 am a student at UAF and I study with Alaskan kids every day and I am incredulous when they tell me how little they learned about responsible and accurate sexual health education in Alaskan schools. SHAME on you that you would even think to further reduce the nominal amount of education these kids are able to get. Thank God for Planned Parenthood and our University clinic and the local health clinics. With the highest rates of chlamydia in the country, I would like to think our legislators would be trying to reverse this trend, not exacerbate it.

If only you could walk in my shoes for one week here on campus and actually talk to our wonderful Alaskan kids, you would have a new and more accurate idea of what our youth need. In the past two weeks I have spoken with two students who wanted more accurate contraception information...one just had a baby and the other has a 23 year old brother who has moved back home with a girlfriend and a two month old baby. I get my brochures from Planned Parenthood because I know their information is accurate, readable and non-judgmental. And their services are accessible and affordable for these kids - our future!

Let us reduce our rate of abortions by educating our kids so they prevent pregnancy, not terminate it.  
Please oppose SB89.

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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.

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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## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotestnorthwest.org> on behalf of Lynda Giguere <ppaction@ppvotestnorthwest.org>  
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Apr 7, 2015

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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 act sensibly.

SB 89 would limit students' access to reproductive health education and sexual assault awareness and prevention information. With Alaska's devastatingly high sexual assault and sexually transmitted infection rates, the consequences of SB 89 are simply too risky for Alaska's kids and youth.

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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## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org> on behalf of Kime McClintock <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org>  
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Apr 7, 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.

Comprehensive sex ed is critical making sure that all youth--regardless of where they come from-- have access to the same quality, medically accurate sex ed. Research PROVES that giving teens the knowledge and tools to keep themselves safe and informed does NOT mean they begin having sex earlier.

It is outrageous that you would consider blocking Planned Parenthood from teaching young people about sexual health. They are experts in this field and are a trusted provider of information and services.

I urge to stop setting Alaska's future generation back. Oppose SB 89.

SB 89 would limit students' access to reproductive health education and sexual assault awareness and prevention information. With Alaska's devastatingly high sexual assault and sexually transmitted infection rates, the consequences of SB 89 are simply too risky for Alaska's kids and youth.

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

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## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org> on behalf of Susan Olsen <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org>  
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Senator Michael Dunleavy  
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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.

If you are trying to cope with the financial shortfalls, this bill makes absolutely NO sense. The more we educate our youth about sex education, the less likelihood of unplanned pregnancies and public costs. How about a little long-range thinking ?

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

Ms. Susan Olsen  
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## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotessnorthwest.org> on behalf of Christine St. Pierre <ppaction@ppvotessnorthwest.org>  
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Apr 7, 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.

Sex health education is extremely important, to prevent teen pregnancy and the spread of STD's. Please oppose this damaging bill.

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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,

Ms. Christine St. Pierre  
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## **Sen. Mike Dunleavy**

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org> on behalf of Mercedes Pinto <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org>  
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Apr 7, 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 don't worsen our children's risk with this poorly considered bill.

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

Dr. Mercedes Pinto  
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## Sen. Mike Dunleavy

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**From:** Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org> on behalf of Ronald Stanek <ppaction@ppvotessouthwest.org>  
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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.

Keep your hands off Planned Parenthood and their services. Alaska has a rapidly increasing prison population and more women than men are being incarcerated than ever before. Young women get into trouble with pregnancy because they are not adequately educated about sex, child care, and birth control. They end up desperate and too often do illicit activities to make ends meet and deal with their anxieties.

In addition knowledge of STD and STIs is inadequate and must be improved and increased to keep our children disease free and safe.

Do not cut or try to prevent Planned Parenthood from providing the broadest range of services they offer.

Thank You

Ronald Stanek  
Retired  
SOA 1980 to 2007  
Parent

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Thank you for considering opposition to SB 89.

Sincerely,

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