

Doniece Gott

From: C Moll <ccmmoll5@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 10:42 AM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: SB 23 & 24 testimony

The PFD is not govt revenue, it is the people's share of resource wealth. I support SB 23 and 24. We must have a constitutional PFD or it will dominate campaigns and budget discussions forever

Catherine Felt
Kenai

Doniece Gott

From: Cindy Reed <reedsinlower48@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 11:34 AM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: Pay Full pdf

I support governor Dunleavy in paying us our full PFD. We are demanding it, and we shouldn't have to. Shame on you to try and take it from us.

Michael and Cindy Reed
Big Lake

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Doniece Gott

From: thomas heinrichs <twoeagleak@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 12:33 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: PFD

Full PFD payment
No changing the wording from SHALL TO MAY; leave the formula alone

OR

GET VOTED OUT NEXT TIME AROUND.

Thomas Heinrichs
Willow, AK

John 3:16

¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Doniece Gott

From: Sharon Gherman <sgherman677@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 12:58 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: PFD Payout

I am furious that this is even having to be discussed. Pay the full PFD payout! Protect the PFD program as it was enacted in the beginning!

This money does not belong to the legislature to appropriate - it is the people's share of Alaska's natural resource revenue. Jay Hammond would be on the warpath over your actions, and you know it. He warned us you would try to do this.

You've spent yourselves into oblivion. Now man up and make the cuts needed to balance our budget - without stealing our PFD!

Sharon Gherman
Soldotna, AK

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Doniece Gott

From: Francesca A <frescachez@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 1:51 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: Public testimony SB23,SB24

Dear committee,

I support SB23 and SB24.

Royalties are to be paid in FULL. This is not government revenue and should not be treated as such. It is the People's share of resource wealth. Follow the current statute. Pay back our royalty shares. They should not have been withheld in the first place.

Thank you,
Francesca Allegrezza and family.

Sent from my iPhone

Doniece Gott

From: Greg Collins <greg_allseasons@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 2:06 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: PFD

Dear Legislators

Please Fund the Full PFD! This will Help Many Families and our Economic Crisis in the State. The money from the PFD is spent many times over In-State. This is good for both the Residents of Alaska and the State Government. Please do the Right thing.

Thank You

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Doniece Gott

From: Shauna Johnstone <shaunaak@live.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 2:26 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: Pfd testimony

My name is Shauna Johnstone, a lifelong Alaskan from Anchorage. I am demanding a full pfd for 2019 and also the restoration of the last 3 years funds stolen from the PFD. These DIVIDENDS are our mineral rights as Alaskans and they are not the governments money nor is it apart of the states budget. DIVIDENDS do not cause a DEFICIT in the budget. Government needs to learn how to properly budget for the state and NOT steal from the public. If the dividends are not restored in full and paid in full I expect drilling to shut down:)

Shauna Johnstone

Sent from my iPhone

Doniece Gott

From: Alex McDonald <alex@icefogvapor.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 2:33 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: Support SB23

Dear Finance committee,

I just wanted to take a minute to ask you to support constitutionally protecting the PFD as was historically calculated. The system worked fine as it was and was a huge benefit to the state, lifting thousands of people above the poverty line. The benefit to the people of this state is vast, from helping kids save for college, to helping elderly people on fixed incomes heat their homes for the winter.

The current fiscal mess the state is in right now shows a track record of the state not being able to handle money responsibly, why should we trust the state to effectively handle our money? What will happen when the state spends all the dividend money and say they need the corpus of the fund? If the permanent fund is to remain permanent as it was intended, we need to protect it and the historic PFD calculation now in the state constitution!

Thank you,
Alex McDonald
Fairbanks, AK

Doniece Gott

From: charmaine johnston <lesinao@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 2:46 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: SB 23

I am writing in Support of SB 23. A lot of Alaskan families including mine rely on the pfd to make ends meet. The last 3years our state representatives have done nothing but spend with no end in sight and still have nothing to show for it as far as I'm concerned. We need to stop overspending and pass the governors budget and help him keep his promise to Alaskans!

Charmaine Johnston

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Doniece Gott

From: Elizabeth Fontenot <efontenot@live.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 2:47 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: PFD

GIVE US OUR MONEY!!!!!! LOW INCOME FAMILIES DEPEND ON THIS MONEY.
GIVE IT BACK!!!!!!!!!!!!~

Doniece Gott

From: Donald Braun <slidondown@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 2:50 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: PFD

Dear Senators:

Years ago and for years, I lived in Chignik so frequently travelled through King Salmon. I made the summer dash from the Pen Air terminal to Eddie's to avoid the merciless bugs that chased me there. I made the winter dash from the Pen Air terminal to Eddies to avoid the cold, snow, slush, and whatever else mother nature had in store for my fellow passengers and me.

Since I'm a lightweight when it comes to drinking, I generally hung out in the cafe side of Eddie's There I frequently ran into Jay Hammond. We'd BS about fishing and speculate about run sizes, areas, etc. But the conversation invariably moved to the Permanent Fund.

Jay had no doubt that the Permanent Fund was first for the people of the state. I doubt that Jay would recognize this current transmogrified state government and its unceasing expansion that many, perhaps most, in the legislature want.

Restore the fund and the state consistent with Jay's spirit and the spirit of many of us who remember then and when: Cut spending. Restore the original formula. And reduce the size of government.

All the best to you and yours, Donald Braun Alaska Voter 01541859.

Doniece Gott

From: David Witt <farnorthdave56@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 2:53 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: Permanent Fund

I am sending a brief message to support FULL funding of the citizens PFD.

I see no reason why we should be penalized by the legislature for their failure to keep spending under control.

NO, you do NOT know how to spend our PFD's better than we the citizens and rightful owners of that fund.

PLEASE STOP trying to grab our money, and fix YOUR over spending habits.

Grabbing our money only enables the legislature to continue in making poor financial decision and overspending.

Sincerely,
David S. Witt
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Doniece Gott

From: J. Cassellius <jcassellius@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 3:09 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: PASS SB 23, 24 - Uphold Alaskans' rights!

Senate Finance Committee,
Permanent Fund Defenders is a statewide non-profit group educating Alaskans on Fund history, Alaskans' rights and legislation concerning our resource wealth.

We urge you to PASS SB23,24. Let's recognize the fact that Alaskans own the Fund and are shareholders of resource wealth. Not government.

The government can share to 50% of a payout from earnings, not more. Repaying funds for the PFD deposited in the Earnings Reserve is a fiscally workable plan according to a legislative hearing presentation by Ed King, Economist in the Dunleavy administration.

Legislators and Alaskans who push for spending the dividend on government are highly irresponsible with this deceptive, false choice and this highly regressive PFD tax!

We ask lawmakers to stop avoiding government reforms and do the work to use other options for a sustainable fiscal plan. Not raid the PFD for easy money.

Permanent Fund Defenders backs Gov. Dunleavy's PFD bills, including the constitutional PFD, to secure the rights of Alaska residents now and for the future. We must right the wrongs in Juneau. Passing SB23 and 24 are one step in the right direction.

Thanks,
Juanita Cassellius
on behalf of the PFDefenders' board, Clem Tillion, Rick Halford, and Joe Geldhof and Alaska public members.

Doniece Gott

From: Tex1911a1m14 <1911a1m14@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 3:26 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: Testimony SB 23-24

My Name Is Michael Beck I live in Wasilla Alaska and I am writing to you once again on record to support SB 23-24 for full payment to the people of Alaska of their PFD ! You folks need to pay back the PFD and cut and stream line the budget to work as well as possible within its means! What part of this do you all not understand ? Your insistence to take the PFD to fund this bloated dysfunctional government is UNACCEPTABLE! Get your act together !

Sent from my iPhone

Doniece Gott

From: Terri Nettles <nettles21@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 3:28 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: PFD

Please quit using the PFD to cover the out of control spending in Alaska.
That was never the intention for the fund.
I support both bills and our governor!!!

Please change course and approve our Governor's bills.

Thank you
Terri Nettles
Soldotna, Alaska
99669

Doniece Gott

From: kathleen shoop <kathleenshoop@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 3:35 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: In favor of PFD!

Hello!

Please save the PFD and better yet, pay us back our PFD's from the past three years.
PFD strengthen the Alaskan economy. I love living in Alaska and helping my community.
I need my PFD to continue to survive up here.

Thank You!
Kathleen Shoop
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Doniece Gott

From: Pat Virden <pat7.pv@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 3:36 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: SB23 & SB24

We support SB 23 & SB 24. Pay the PFD according to state statute & repay the 3 years of illegally seized funds. Thank you and God Bless Alaska. Eugene & Pat Virden

Sent from my iPad

Doniece Gott

From: Amy <aimsies@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 3:39 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: PFD testimony

I am in strong support of SB 23 & 24, as well as the governor and his budget.

Pay back the PFD you unlawfully took, and pay us a proper statutory PFD amount.

Put the PFD formula into the Alaskan Constitution only to be changed by a vote of the people.

Amy Hall
North Pole, Alaska

Doniece Gott

From: Bo T <sheadom5@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 3:41 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: In favor of payback

I BONNIE E THUMMA support the payback of the full PFD.

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Doniece Gott

From: Linn McCabe <linn.mccabe@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 3:48 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee; Senate Finance
Subject: Testimony SB23 and SB24 PFD pay back

Committee members,

Please return the portion of the PFD which was withheld by the previous governor and legislators. It has been sitting there gathering interest and it's time to distribute it to its rightful owners as proposed by Governor Dunleavy.

Thank you!

Linn McCabe
Big Lake

Sent from my iPhone

Doniece Gott

From: Clarence Duncan III <CSDuncan3697@outlook.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 3:51 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Cc: Jacqueline Marie Duncan, MLSMFB; Clarence Duncan III
Subject: Full PFD, \$3,000 Payment to Alaskan Citizens

Dear Congressperson,

Thank you for taking time to hear my support for the \$3,000.00 proposal the Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend (PFD) this year. Using the PFD to bridge the state's deficit from legislature authorized over spending is not the intention of the PFD is wrong. Changing the wording to "may" instead of the original/current wording "shall" is wrong.

Keeping the original formula and wording is the correct answer for Alaska. I do agree a change to the quarterly payments would most likely keep more money within the state of Alaska. I think the survey stating that much of the money is spent out of state is misleading. Since the vast majority of people I know, including my parents, brother, sister, children, my wife and myself, spend their PFD's within the state of Alaska. Many people I know spend their PFD's paying for food, wood, propane, utility bills, and Bill's in general. Without the PFD's many people are humiliated by being forced to seek public assistance due to the lost income. My wife knows this specifically since she previously worked at a nonprofit assistance center and heard numerous stories from people and how the lack of PFD income directly resulted in them having to seek assistance whereas previously these working poor people were able to use this money for life necessities. I strongly will point to what I have read about Senator Natasha Von Imhof's actions to undercut the citizens via cutting the PFD and even changing the wording to "may" to make it as though the state doesn't have to issue us something that is rightfully the citizen's own possession as the rate of return from their investment. Maybe she is correctly representing her district's constituents but I do not think so nor do I think she is representing what is best for the Alaskan citizens as a whole. Maybe she just thinks she knows what's best for us than we do. If so, this is an incredibly insulting opinion of hers. I heard her campaign speeches and thought she was a good candidate. Just like I thought former Governor Walker would be too. Only because they fooled me by reversing themselves on campaign promises was I mistaken. Which actually means it wasn't me who was wrong, it was Sen. Natasha Von Imhof and former Governor Walker who are and were completely wrong.

I would add that I fully 100% support Governor Dunleavy's proposals for the full PFD payment, repayment (in my opinion; for the theft of the PFD's by former Governor Walker and the previous Alaska legislators) over the previous three years. As well as supporting supporting Governor Dunleavy other proposals including the PFD being in the Alaska Constitution.

Very Respectfully,

Clarence S. Duncan, III

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From: Amber Shumpert <amber.m.shumpert@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 3:51 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: SB23&24 testimony

My name is Amber Shumpert and I speak for myself, as well as my husband and 4 children. We fully support a full PFD payback.

How can you expect Alaskan residents to obey laws and statutes, while the state government is free to ignore that which they choose? The money stolen from the Alaskan people has been sitting, unused, and earning interest. The state coffers cannot be in such dire straits if the money hasn't even been utilized.

To take money from the people in order to cover your inability to balance a budget is unacceptable on numerous levels. Telling people they have to choose between a PFD, which is used to pay for stolen natural resources, and public services is a false choice. The state has numerous options to both legally increase funding and reduce bloated spending. Stealing the PFD should never be an option and the funds must be returned.

Respectfully,
Amber Shumpert & Family

Doniece Gott

From: Elisapeta Sheck <elisapetasheck80791@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 4:06 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: I SUPPORT SB 23

Hi my name is Elisapeta. Sheck and I was supposed to called in and for the conference call but didnt have a chance to today but here I am emailing to let you all know that I totally Support the SB 23 Bill.

Thank you ,

Elisapeta. Sheck

Doniece Gott

From: Sheila Faigle <mrs.faigle@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 4:07 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: Protect Our PFD

Hello,
I'm emailing to show my support for SB 23 and 24.
My family was already starting to struggle when Governor Walker stole our money and due to that the bills just kept piling getting further behind. We had to file bankruptcy. I believe we would not have filed bankruptcy if our money was never stolen from us. My family is owed over \$11,000 and I'm only a family of three. I can't imagine what this has done to the families bigger than mine.
I feel the PFD belongs to the people and should never be considered in the budget for the government spending which is already insanely high.
I urge you to pass these bills and maintain the original PFD calculation and put in the constitution that it cannot be messed with.

Thank you
Sheila Faigle
Wasilla Resident
Works in Anchorage and Eagle River
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Doniece Gott

From: Nancy Wold <ak.nwold@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 4:21 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: SB23 & 24

Hello Finance Committee,

I am support of PFD payback to those who were capped on their PFDs. The PERMANENT Fund Dividend was set up for Alaskans ...on a Permanent basis, not when legislatures decide whether or not we can have it.

Please vote for paying the full PFD to us Alaskans. I've been here since 1990. The PFD makes it easier to stay and to shop locally, my brother-in-law is able to get house fuel for the winter in Delta Junction, and my daughters are looking at buying a house this fall.

Thanks,
Nancy Wold
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Wasilla, Alaska

Doniece Gott

From: Summer Spurlin <summerinalaska@me.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2019 4:53 PM
To: Senate Finance Committee
Subject: Please pay back our dividends

To Whom It May Concern,

Most Alaskans are smarter than you realize and are very capable of putting our dividends to good use in our communities for the benefit of all Alaskans! Governmental spending is out of control, crime is out of control, education is failing! Stop taking our dividends and telling us what a good job you are doing with them! We can clearly see our money is being poorly managed, give it back to us!

Thanks, and have a great day!!

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