

# HB 1005

Ronald Johnson <rajohnson@alaska.edu>

Thu 5/23/2019 2:59 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

I support HB 1005 AS LONG AS IT IS ACCOMPANIED by  
a companion bill setting up a 75/25 POMV draw split.

Paying a \$ 3000 PFD each year into the future is unsustainable. Doing so would make it virtually certain that there will be minimal PFDs in future years. We need to keep to a structured draw from the PF to allow the PFC to make prudent investment decisions.

As a separate item, I also support moving a large amount [> \$ 8B] from the PF earnings reserve into the corpus. This will make it difficult for future legislatures to depend on the earnings reserve to fund excessive spending as what happened with past CBR draws.

Thanks

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Ron Johnson  
Professor Emeritus  
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Pfd

darian mann <pink\_yupik33@yahoo.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 2:49 PM

To:House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

I vote NO to cutting pfd in half!

PFD

Starr Bynum <starrbynum@hotmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 2:42 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

To those who are not listening to the people who voted for you. There are laws already as to how you are suppose to pay out our PFD. PLEASE STOP YOUR unlawful plans of trying to take our PFD's away. As "we the people" have to learn to live within our means so such the state. Stop trying to play games to sending changes here and there and waiting until all people have gone home. Your dishonesty and deceitfulness is not good for our state. We are to believe that you have our best at heart when we vote for you. BUT you don't seem to.

Please pay us the money do us .....

Not making new HS or BS with numbers to confuse use.

Starr Bynum

Sent from my iPhone

PFD

James Folan <alaskarange@aptalaska.net>

Thu 5/23/2019 2:27 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

No cuts to the PFD.

Cut state spending to balance the budget. I don't want to hear it can't be done when the local Forestry Station has 30X the people on it with less responsibility than a group of 5-10 local back in the day had. Reduce the budget by at least 20% please.

Thank you,

James Folan

We the People of Alaska demand that you take care of OUR  
Business by:

Jonathan Stickland <jmsopco@hotmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 2:21 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

VOTING " NO" on HB 1005 ! VOTING "YES" and strongly supporting HB1002, HB1003 and HB1004 !! That is my personal  
and my family's(4) testimonies .

Jonathan M. Stickland  
18430 Kittiwake Circle  
Anchorage, AK 99516-6103

# PFD Payout

William Brown <coldsnap@mtaonline.net>

Thu 5/23/2019 2:21 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

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# Testimony in support of HB1005

Kevin Elliott <elliott.kevinc@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 2:20 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

Co-chair Foster and Co-chair Wilson

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# Reduced pfd please

Jen Ireland <jenireland50@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 2:14 PM



To: Rep. Neal Foster <Rep.Neal.Foster@akleg.gov>; Rep. Tammie Wilson <Rep.Tammie.Wilson@akleg.gov>; House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

Dear Rep Foster and Rep Wilson and the House Finance Committee,

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In order to do that, I strongly support reduced oil tax credits as well as a progressive income tax.

Thank you,

Jen Ireland  
3842 Williams St #1  
Anchorage, AK 99508

# HB 1005

Colleen Heaney-Mead <crheaney@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 2:12 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>; Rep. Neal Foster <Rep.Neal.Foster@akleg.gov>; Rep. Tammie Wilson <Rep.Tammie.Wilson@akleg.gov>;

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing about the state budget again! I am deeply concerned about our economic future and I believe that the following needs to happen in order to ensure Alaska continues to be a great place to live:

1. Lower PFD. Many families rely on the PFD as essential income but it should not be paid over what is sustainable. The \$3000 payout this year is unnecessary.
2. Fund services. Public education is crucial to our future and without a well-funded school system, we will not be able to educate our children to take jobs that grow our economy. We need to fully fund early childhood education, K-12, and the university system.
3. No more oil tax credits. We need to diversify our economy. Oil is not our future and we need to stop giving hand-outs to oil companies in hopes that they will bring more money into our economy. They will not.
4. We need a progressive income tax. Our state needs revenue. Many workers come to Alaska, collect money from our economy, and go back out of state to spend it without contributing to our state. People with a little more income need to be willing to pay more taxes so that the government can work for ALL Alaskans. We need to support our neighbors.

Please, make the hard choices for your constituents who don't care about their neighbors.

Sincerely,  
Colleen Heaney-Mead

# HB 1005 opposition statement

Richard Derkevorkian <derkevrs@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 2:07 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>; Rep. Gary Knopp <Rep.Gary.Knopp@akleg.gov>; Rep. Ben Carpenter <Rep.Ben.Carpenter@akleg.gov>; Sen. Peter Micciche <Sen.Peter.Micciche@akleg.gov>;

To whom it may concern,

My name is Richard Derkevorkian. I want to state that I am strongly opposed to HB 1005. The state needs to spend within its means, the more money you take the more you'll spend. You have been taking 75% of the oil revenue since the pipeline was commissioned and the only bank account that has any money left in it is the one the legislators couldn't touch (the PFD).

I fully support the citizens getting their full PFD amount, and then the CITIZENS deciding how to best spend that money. You are delusional if you believe that the state knows how to spend money on my family better than I do. I am a second generation Alaskan that grew up in Alaska. My parents saved and invested all of my pfd's and then I spent that money on college. After college I moved back to Alaska and am a working, contributing member of the Alaskan economy. Stop trying to take MY money and giving it to those unwilling to contribute, e.g., felons, drug users, thieves, villages with no economy, & other various people abusing the Alaskan health and social services.

I also want to state that representative Gary, flip flop Knopp does not accurately represent the people of district 30. He ran as a republican candidate and has not once voted or sided with the Republican governor that was elected.

Richard Derkevorkian,

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HB1005

Joel Bailey <Bailey\_Joel@yahoo.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 1:50 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

Please do not make changes to the PFD formula. My family and I support lowering spending to reasonable levels. The PFD should only be changed with a vote of the people. I will not vote for any legislators that raid the PFD.

Joel Bailey  
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North Pole, Ak 99705

# Testimony on HB1005

Claire Norton - Cruz <clairecnc@hotmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 1:44 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>; Rep. Neal Foster <Rep.Neal.Foster@akleg.gov>; Rep. Tammie Wilson <Rep.Tammie.Wilson@akleg.gov>;

Dear Representatives,

I would like to share my testimony on this proposed bill regarding the funding of PFD's. Much as I enjoy getting free money, I do not believe it is a good idea to pay out large PFD's (and I am defining large as basically anything over \$1000-\$1500) if the State cannot also take care of its obligations to its citizens. I do not want a PFD at all if it comes at the expense of acceptable levels of funding for schools, the UA system, public health (including improved and enlarged substance abuse programs to combat our state's opioid and meth problems), public safety in cities and in villages, public media, the ferry system, and all the various forms of assistance and subsidies to rural Alaska so that residents of those communities can continue living there. Even though many of these things don't affect me personally, as a member of a relatively affluent household, there are still very important for the social fabric and for the economy of our state. I recognize that none of us can truly flourish when our communities are full of crime and poverty, and small and large businesses alike cannot flourish when too many citizens are so cash-strapped that they can't buy anything and can barely keep the roof over their heads. I am willing to pay for the things that I value through a progressive income tax, though I ALSO believe that there is a LOT of money that has been left on the table for the oil companies to grab back, and I would really like to see the amount that we pay them in oil tax credits to decrease. We cannot let this state become another Kansas through short-sighted fiscal policies, or we will pay the same prices they have - economic stagnation, worsened public health outcomes, and a teacher revolt. We are already hemorrhaging good teachers in our state - please don't make it worse.

Thank you,

Claire Norton-Cruz  
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# HB 1005 opposition

Todd Anderson <mxripper@hotmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 1:40 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

My name is Todd J Anderson, this email is to express my opposition to HB – 1005.

Signed

Todd J. Anderson

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Sent from my iPhone

PFD

Beverly Sawyer <dontcha53@yahoo.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 1:38 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

I oppose HB1005 to change PFD law.

I support the full PFD with HB1002 .

Sent from my iPhone



# House Bill 1005

Susan Kesti <skesti53ak@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 1:33 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

Dear House Finance Committee members,

I am in support of House Bill 1005 with regards to changing the statute and formula for future years dividends. The PFD should not be considered a "right". If it needs to be reduced in order to adequately fund the State operations, we need to do it. A state income tax must also be considered. We need to provide funding for basic infrastructure such as the Alaska Marine Hwy. Also the State should continue to support Alaska Public Media.

Thank you for considering my comments in your deliberations.

Sincerely,

Susan Kesti  
Cordova AK

# Pay the full PFD

Jennifer Duffin <botwort@msn.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 1:32 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

Good afternoon;

I am in full support of HB1002. I am against HB1005 which is a bait and switch. Alaskans aren't stupid, we know what's going on. Governor Walker STOLE our PFD's, without a vote of the people of Alaska! We want our full PFD and we what was illegally taken from us for the past three years. Stop pretending like the budget has anything to do with our PFD's!

Jennifer Duffin

# I OPPOSE HB 1005

Chris LaCroix <clacroix@crsalaska.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 1:31 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

This is my formal complaint whereby I OPPOSE HB1005

Thank you.

**Chris LaCroix**

Director of Compliance

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PFD

Beverly Sawyer <dontcha53@yahoo.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 1:29 PM

To:House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

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I support the FULL  
PFD with HB 1002

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# Alaskan: Commenting RE: HB1005

Sanaa Casey <sanaa.k.casey@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 1:08 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>; representative.neal.foster@akleg.com  
<representative.neal.foster@akleg.com>; Rep. Tammie Wilson <Rep.Tammie.Wilson@akleg.gov>;

Good afternoon,

As a resident Alaskan, I wanted to express my support for other methods and means in order to reduce the budget deficit, without compromising much-needed government services.

I strongly support the following:

- \* A lower PFD
- \* Properly funding essential services such as: health, education for K-12, college education, ferries, rural assistance, road maintenance, agriculture (in particular, our dairy industry and Alaskan Grown programs), and public safety.
- \* Progressive income tax
- \* Reduced oil credits

Alaskans have always thrived on their independence. A one-time payment in the year is much less valuable to me than ensuring the future of our young Alaskans. I fully understand that for our services to excel, we all need to pitch in. This is worth it to me for our economy to flourish and our future generations to continue to build on that.

I appreciate you taking the time to consider my voice, and hope that sensible minds prevail.

Kind regards,

Sanaa K. Casey  
3960 E. Birch View Drive  
Wasilla, AK 99654  
(907) 631-2593

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Halie Starwalt <halie.starwalt@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 1:07 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>; Rep. Neal Foster <Rep.Neal.Foster@akleg.gov>; Rep. Tammie Wilson <Rep.Tammie.Wilson@akleg.gov>;

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In order to do that, I strongly support reduced oil tax credits as well as a progressive income tax.

Thank you so much,

Halie Starwalt

HB 1005

Kelly Ingram <kelly.l.ingram@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 12:51 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>; Rep. Neal Foster <Rep.Neal.Foster@akleg.gov>; Rep. Tammie Wilson <Rep.Tammie.Wilson@akleg.gov>;

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I also strongly support reduced oil tax credits as well as a progressive income tax!

Thank you,

Kelly Pierson  
3513 Upland Dr, Anchorage, AK 99504

HB 1005

Kevin Knox <kevin@bluesteel.org>

Thu 5/23/2019 12:39 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>; Rep. Neal Foster <Rep.Neal.Foster@akleg.gov>; Rep. Tammie Wilson <Rep.Tammie.Wilson@akleg.gov>;

Dear Rep Foster and Rep Wilson and the House Finance Committee,

I am a resident of Sitka and current serving on the City and Borough Assembly. I strongly support a reduced PFD now and in future years in favor of building fiscal sustainability and funding essential services here in Alaska. Education, early childhood education, University funding, health care, senior services, public media funding, ferry services, rural assistance, substance abuse rehabilitation and any other services that create a strong support system for families and those living with less means can not fall entirely on local municipalities.

I strongly support reduced oil tax credits as well as a progressive income tax as a way that the State can continue to provide for its citizens and continue to be the great place we all call home.

Thank you,  
Kevin Knox



# HB1005!!! Keep the FULL PFD

Nancy Wold <ak.nwold@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 12:33 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

To Whom it May Concern,

This is to once again state that we, Alaskans, do not want change to the FULL PFD. We need you to pay the full \$3,000 PFD with HB1002 instead. It will not have any cut to the PFD and that's how we want it.

This was set up as a FULL and PERMANENT payout to Alaskans. You are able to cut spending without taking that, without taking away from schools, and without hurting the finances/benefits of the elderly. Ask for suggestions in each govt institution. They will know where things could be cut or are redundant.

I support HB1002 to pay the full PFD with NO future cuts!!

Sincerely,

Nancy Wold  
Wasilla Alaska

(And I VOTE!)

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# HB 1005

Mary-Alice Henry <maryalihenry@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 12:19 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>; Rep. Neal Foster <Rep.Neal.Foster@akleg.gov>; Rep. Tammie Wilson <Rep.Tammie.Wilson@akleg.gov>;

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Thank you for consideration.

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# HB 1005

\* Zoe Styron <zoestyron@gmail.com>

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## PFD formula

Mary Griswold <mgrt@xyz.net>

Thu 5/23/2019 12:14 PM



To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

Please change the PFD formula this year according to Wilson's plan for next year. That is a good solution to this everlasting problem. I have been a longtime supporter of POMV, but that does not seem attractive to legislators. I do not support taking \$500M from the CBR for dividends. Twenty years ago Representative Gail Phillips (R-Homer) called for a reduced dividend and funding for government services we all rely on. It is long past time to resolve this problem that sucks all the oxygen out of responsible government.

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## My testimony on HB1005

Jessica Wright <wright9028@hotmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 12:09 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

### My testimony on HB1005

05/23/2019

Hi, I'm Jessica Wright, from Wasilla. Today, I want to take an opportunity to voice my opinion on HB1005. I urge you to oppose the bill.

I understand the legislature has the right to appropriate our fund, however I believe they have no right to reach beyond what they ought to have. According to the state statute, Alaskans get 50% of the PFD designated earnings for it's their mineral right and the government can spend the other 50% for appropriate government spendings from the PFD designated earning. It's known as 50/50 split. However, this bill allows our legislature to cut our future PFD to half to facilitate their spending since some legislature believe they can't cut the budget for they desire to continue the programs.

I think HB1005 is wrong in government principle and it's wrong in humanitarian principle because breaking the state statute is wrong regardless how you justify it. Furthermore, giving Alaskans PFD is the most humane thing you can do because thousands of Alaskans' families are depending on the PFD to help paying the bills and to put food on the table. If the legislature take half of our rightful money away to spend somewhere else, they are robbing us. Pure and simple.

Research shows PFD is one of the major factors to stimulate our local economy, so why further depresses our economy by cutting our PFD to 50%

less? It's time for our legislature to rethink their approach about cutting our PFD, so I'm a "No!" to HB1005. Thank you! ~

Untitled

Niki Parrish <parrish.niki@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 12:01 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

Dear legislators,

Please do not support HB1005.

I understand this bill bribes Alaskans with the payout of a full dividend in 2019, only to rewrite the formula for computation of much lower dividends in future years. We Alaskans will not be bribed and we will not be fooled.

Professor Emeritus Scott Goldsmith of UAA's Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER) warned us year after year that cutting the dividend was the worst possible solution to managing the state budget. Cutting the dividend, he said, would do more harm to the state's overall economy than any other approach.

Alaska's public sector economy needs to be cut. It is unsustainable. But our private sector economy is hurting. Please do not inflict more pain by transferring billions of dollars of future dividend payments from the private sector to the public sector. Continuing down this path will crash the private sector economy and crush individuals and families.

If you want my support, I ask you to reject HB1005, and give your support to HB1002. Vote for a healthy private sector economy and a bright future for Alaska.

Thank you,  
Niki Parrish



# Untitled

Debbie Seymour <seymourdebbie55@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 3:23 PM



To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

Legislators,

I'm writing in today to let my voice be heard. This Alaskan DOES NOT SUPPORT HB1005, nor the cutting of the PFD formula in ANY form in the future.

I DO support HB 1002 that fully funds the dividend and implements NO cuts to the formula.

Alaskans are concerned with the current state of affairs in our great land, and are watching the decisions being made in office.

Thank you,  
Debbie

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Niki Parrish <parrish.niki@gmail.com>

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Thank you,  
Niki Parrish

HB1005

Wego Couriers <wegoinc@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:59 AM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

I oppose HB 1005. Legislators need to balance their spending with the state income and keep their hands off the PFD. That fund is set up for the people, not to be used by the Legislature for the general fund.

Carmin Howser  
AK resident from Valdez, AK

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# HB 1005 The PFD cut plan

Linda Bruce <lrb128@hotmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:57 AM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

I cannot say strongly enough I do not and will not support this bill. It is a temporary fix to a non-existent problem if you had left the PFD off the table, which is what should have always been done. It is unconscionable (if you know that word) to even think that you folks in Juneau cannot get your jobs done plus you've made the PFD a pawn in the entire budget conversation. You've messed around now to the point that again, you had to go into special session when this could have all easily been resolved much earlier in the regular session. If you weren't all concerned about being re-elected, this wouldn't be a political basketball. I and my husband, Thomas Brook, both registered voters, only support HB 1002 which supports a full PFD now and in the future. This absolutely needs to be passed and memorialized. Quit using the PFD as leverage AGAINST the people of Alaska. It's extortion in every way, shape and form. Do what's right, make the necessary \$2B cuts to our budget and quit kicking this can down the road. Get with it folks, the clock is ticking.

Linda Bruce  
Thomas Brook  
Ninilchik, AK

# Support for smaller PFD

Ashley Van Hemert <ashvan7@yahoo.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:55 AM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>; Rep. Neal Foster <Rep.Neal.Foster@akleg.gov>; Rep. Tammie Wilson <Rep.Tammie.Wilson@akleg.gov>;

Dear Rep Foster and Rep Wilson and the House Finance Committee,

I am a resident of Anchorage and I strongly support a reduced PFD now and in future years in favor of building fiscal sustainability and funding essential services here in Alaska. Those essential services include K-12 education, early childhood education, University funding, health care, senior services, public media funding, ferry services, rural assistance, substance abuse rehabilitation and any other services that create a strong support system for families and those living with less means.

In order to do that, I strongly support reduced oil tax credits as well as a progressive income tax. For the time being, I see House Bill 1005 by the House Finance Committee a reasonable compromise and I urge you to keep fighting for it.

Thank you,

Ashley Van Hemert

# No to HB1005

Dorothy Webster <dwebster5835@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:50 AM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

HB1005 received special fast track legislative action, meanwhile HB1002 is derailed on purpose! The House majority & RINO Wilson continue to assert their agenda at the expense of the Alaska's people. It's rather obvious where this is headed, vote dem out!

# HB 1005

Lauren Wild <lauren.a.wild@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:46 AM



To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>; Rep. Neal Foster <Rep.Neal.Foster@akleg.gov>; Rep. Tammie Wilson <Rep.Tammie.Wilson@akleg.gov>;

Dear Representative Foster and Representative Wilson,

I am from Sitka, and I am writing regarding the PFD bill HB1005. I am in support of a reduced PFD or an income-based PFD, but NOT A FULL PFD. I would rather those funds go to support education, healthcare, social services, senior services, and our transportation system (Alaska Marine Highway).

I am a huge fan of public education. It's amazing. I went through the Sitka School District (born and raised here) and made a successful career for myself. I went on to get a master's degree in Marine Mammal Science and I do sperm whale research out of Sitka (sperm whale and longline fisheries interaction work). I am currently a PhD candidate with UAF and do not want to see the massive reductions in state support to the UA system nor the K-12 education system.

My mother is in the AK Pioneer's home in Sitka suffering from Alzheimer's. Did you know that my father got a letter a few months ago that stated that her "rent" at the pioneer's home was going to go up from \$6800 per month to \$15400 per month? THAT'S MORE THAN DOUBLE. How can my dad afford to pay \$15,400 per month to pay for my mom's care? It's absolutely ludicrous. Her long-term care insurance covers about \$4400 per month of that. And I'm learning that there isn't much the legislature is doing to help our seniors. Imagine that was your parent, and they had dementia and their spouse was unable to continue caring for them at home. We are out of options in a small rural community like Sitka. There is limited home care that barely covers what full time 24hr care she needs is.

I could go on, but won't take up any more of your time.

LIMIT THE PFD FOR THOSE THAT DO NOT NEED IT. Make it income-based. Give us an income-based state tax too! Government services and support/funding are important and essential.

Please help us!

Thank you,

Lauren Wild

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Lauren Wild  
PhD Candidate - Fisheries  
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# Permanant Fund

Chris Mchoes <chrissymchoes.15@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:40 AM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

Dear House members,

Yes, I am another Alaskan that believes many of you within the House have overstepped your desires concerning the PFD.

It's considered theft to take what is not yours.

ABSOLUTELY NO To HB1005

- Restore PFD with original formula and pay unpaid portions.

And then, cut and balance the state budget.

Sincerely,

Christine McHoes

a 37 year resident

Skwentna Alaska

907-355-6203



house bill 1005

James Skinner <onthego88bc@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:32 AM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

We, the members of the Greater Alaska Chapter of AMAC Action, numbering 200 plus and we are sure the vast majority of the 6,200 AMAC members statewide, oppose the slight of hand that the House Finance Committee is doing with HB 1005

The Permanent Fund Earnings Reserve is where the PFD is paid from, period! To take less than is needed to pay the full PFD as properly calculated by the PF Commission, and then pay the remainder from the Constitutional Budget Reserve (CBR), which is to be used for emergencies to balance the budget in times of need is OUTRAGEOUS!

We disagree with the Supreme Court but sadly, for now we have to live with it. Thus, the Legislature must follow the rules as to determining from the Commission what the total cost of what we should be getting under the

formula and then appropriate that exact amount from the Earnings Reserve ONLY!

We see that this is not just a slight of hand by the Democrat-Socialist and RINO controlled majority but a hope that the Governor will veto because this is so wrong and in violation of statute and the intent of the Permanent Fund!

We call on members of the House Finance Committee to fully fund the PFD from the Earnings Reserve and the Earnings Reserve ONLY and to remove Section 2 of this bill entirely and any other language in Sections 3 & 4 that would relate to Section 2!

JAMES SKINNER MEMBER OF AMAC

# Testimony

caleb posenjak <calebposenjak@hotmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:32 AM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

Greetings,

Alaska citizen, homeowner, tax payer and employee here.

Swaying made up minds is not an easy thing but as i have already made my stance clear to my governmental officials i figured i would make it known here as well:

I am against anyone changing the formula, i am against the government ignoring the formula and i am against a political argument using this as a way to attract attention to predicate misinformation to garner more people to your side.

The majority of alaskans voted for someone who wanted to pay back what was "taken" without due process and keep paying based on what was already in place. As well as cutting the budget to insure we have a stable ground moving forward.

I do not believe you have a choice in this matter, it is clear what the majority of alaskans want, more cuts, no more spending "more than what we make" and no more trying to "finagle" money from places you shouldn't. As the voice of the people in alaska you need to do as such.

If you would like to have a conversation later about the "right thing" or if the majority knows whats best, or any other topic thats fine. But as it stands we are a democratic republic and the majority already voted on this issue when we elected in a new governor.

Respectfully,  
Caleb P.

# In support of a reduced PFD

Beth, <ekdrewes@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:26 AM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>; Rep. Neal Foster <Rep.Neal.Foster@akleg.gov>; Rep. Tammie Wilson <Rep.Tammie.Wilson@akleg.gov>;

Dear Rep Foster and Rep Wilson and the House Finance Committee,

I am a resident of Anchorage and plan to stay in the state to raise our family. I strongly support a reduced PFD now and in future years in favor of building fiscal sustainability and funding essential services here in Alaska. These services will benefit everyone. Those essential services include K-12 education, early childhood education, University funding, health care, senior services, public media funding, ferry services, rural assistance, substance abuse rehabilitation and any other services that create a strong support system for families and those living with less means. Funding these services increases the quality of life and overall well-being of the community for all residents.

Reduce the PFD, reduce oil tax credits, and implement a progressive income tax.

Thank you,  
Elizabeth Drewes-Todd

Full PFD!

Tim Horttor <t.horttor@revlinc.net>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:19 AM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>:

As an Alaskan that votes, I take the fact that you disrespect all that voted for a full PFD now and in the future by drafting HB1005. This bill should be defeated soundly as it is against the wishes of the people of Alaska!

Tim Horttor

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# PFD formula

Cathy Dimon <dimonfreightdogs@hotmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 3:29 PM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

I would like to take a moment to let you know that I disagree with any change in the formula for the PFD that goes to the citizens of the State of Alaska. This should not be changed, now or in the future. I hope you will realize that you are not doing the work of the people of this state if you do this change and not actually do some actual work to cut the budget.

Specifically, Tammy Wilson, I thought you were better than this and were looking out for the Alaskan people than this.

Thank you for your time.

Cathy Dimon

Voter from North Pole, Alaska

# HB1005

Pam Swedberg <kpswedberg@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:15 AM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

Hello My name is Pam Swedberg  
I am from Soldotna AK

My husband and I are AGAINST HB 1005.

We feel the legislature is finding ways to keep spending instead of cutting the budget. We know a lot of hard decisions have to be made but we need to cut our budget. If the legislature cuts the PFD they will only continue to spend until all the money is gone. Please find another way instead of using our PFD money. This is a huge tax on poor people and those who have large families. This is also a huge tax on college students who only make \$4000 for the summer.

We are also in support HB 1002

Thank you  
Pam and Kandall Swedberg

# PFD/Progressive Income Tax

Deanna <runner26pt2@yahoo.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:13 AM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>; Rep. Neal Foster <Rep.Neal.Foster@akleg.gov>; Rep. Tammie Wilson <Rep.Tammie.Wilson@akleg.gov>;

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In order to do that, I strongly support reduced oil tax credits as well as a progressive income tax.

Thank you,

Deanna Beck  
Anchorage, AK  
99501



# Support for lower PDF

Jekka Roder <jekkaroder@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:13 AM



To:House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

Please know that I feel very strongly about supporting:

- Lower PFD
- Progressive Income Tax
- Essential services (health, education K-12 and university, public media, ferries, rural assistance, etc)
- Reduced oil tax credits

Thank you,  
Jekka Roder

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Thank you,  
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PFD

candis bishop <candis24@yahoo.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:12 AM



To:House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

I OPPOSE HB 1005!

Candis Bishop  
19216 Citation Rd  
Eagle River, Alaska 99577

HB 1002

BERT KLEINENBERG <tundrab@mtaonline.net>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:10 AM



To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

Albertus and Ardith Kleinenberg Big lake Alaska

Registered voters in District 8

Are requesting that the House finance committee will vote for HB 1002 as being the only legal bill to be considered by the Alaska Legislators

Changing the PFD structure can only be made by the registered voters of Alaska.

PFD

Jennifer Bundy <jeeperjoebundyyahoo.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:05 AM

To:House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

House Finance Committee,

My name is Jennifer Bundy and I am a resident in Eagle River, AK. I have lived here since the early 90's. I encourage you to fund the PFD this year and in continuing years. Please do not make any future cuts. I encourage you to make the hard decisions and make cuts to the budget that can be made. I know they are hard decisions, but you are in your position to make those hard decisions. We need to live within our means, and making cuts come first. I don't believe the cuts have been made that need to and should be made yet. Please make Alaska a better place for the future by doing your job and taking care of us today. We may have tight times, but that is what we do in our homes when it comes to situations of debt and curbing our own spending- and our state needs to do the same.

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Bundy

# Lower PFD

Sara Dykstra <sara.dykstra@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:02 AM



To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>; Rep. Neal Foster <Rep.Neal.Foster@akleg.gov>; Rep. Tammie Wilson <Rep.Tammie.Wilson@akleg.gov>;

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In order to do that, I strongly support reduced oil tax credits as well as a progressive income tax.

Thank you,

Sara Dykstra  
Anchorage, AK

Hb1005

John Henry <jwhenyiii@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:02 AM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

I oppose HB1005. Pay the full historic statutory PFD. Do not attempt to change the rate.

John Henry  
330 Faith Lane  
Fairbanks, AK 99709

# Permanent Fund

Ron Hauck <rhauck@gci.net>

Thu 5/23/2019 11:00 AM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

To all House Finance Members:

I am a grandmother who is raising her 17 year old granddaughter who is a Straight-A student planning on going to Harvard to become a doctor. We rely on the PFD to be able to afford necessities, and as her graduation is looming, we really need the PFD this year and in the future. Our "retirement money" has been spent raising our awesome granddaughter and I know we are not alone.

First of all, the PFD is "our money" from the oil resources of Alaska. In 1976, by the vote of THE PEOPLE, a constitutional amendment establishing the permanent fund was approved. (Alaska Constitution Article IX, Section 15

Section 15. Alaska Permanent Fund It is NOT yours to spend or amend!

Secondly, many families (including my own) stay in Alaska enduring the dark fall and winter months with inclement weather because of the permanent fund. It is very tough for many people to handle the darkness.

Thirdly, the spending of ALaska Legislators is out of control. For example; Spending money (multimillions) building a state-of-the-art swimming pool house in Sitka. Sitka already has 2 Olympic size pools, one is fairly new while the other has been remodeled but still really nice. With only 8,000 people living there while Juneau has 30,000 people and 1 pool. Ridiculous!

Also, there are many, many ways to create revenue. So, don't be lazy and take the easy way out grabbing our money! We could have a state lottery to raise money. Also, there could be tolls on certain roads.

Finally, it is immoral to take away the money that belongs to the people! The PFD IS NOT YOURS TO SPEND OR AMEND!

Thank you to whoever has had the decency to read my email and all the emails from the people.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Hauck

Sent from my iPad



# DO NOT CHANGE LAWS FOR YOUR BENEFIT!!!

Sweet Milinko <ak.kiten14@gmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 10:56 AM



To:House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

NO CHANGE TO THE FULL PFD! PAY THE FULL \$3,000 PFD WITH HB1002 INSTEAD. IT HAS NO PFD CUT!

Keep your greedy ass off the peoples money!

Quit trying to change the Law that was laid out to us FOR US years ago!

What you filthy rich people are doing, stealing money, putting it to your own use, and you punks probably dont even live in alaska Year round!

Dont mess with our law and or PFD!

PFD

Karin Halpin <karinhalpin@hotmail.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 10:54 AM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

-Dear House Finance Committee,

Pls count me as an Alaskan who is dead against a full PFD w the constraints of our current budget. I want use to be able to fund PreK-college, provide health care support, ferries, police, etc to keep AK as a great place to live. I'm willing to pay a state income tax to help balance our budget.

Thanks for your service.

Karin Halpin  
4628 Grumman st  
Anchorage  
907.230.0012

Sent from my iPhone  
Please excuse brevity

No on HB 1005

Derrick Bignell <bignelldj@yahoo.com>

Thu 5/23/2019 10:53 AM

To: House Finance <House.Finance@akleg.gov>;

No on HB 1005.

Support for HB 1002, 1003, 1004.

Derrick Bignell  
Nursing Assistant  
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