

**From:** [leah@everyactioncustom.com](mailto:leah@everyactioncustom.com) on behalf of [REDACTED]  
**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
**Date:** Friday, April 09, 2021 1:31:58 PM

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Sincerely,  
Ms. Leah Moss

[REDACTED]

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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
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Ms. Bridget Maryott  
[REDACTED]

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Ms. Kimberly McConkey

[REDACTED]

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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
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[REDACTED]

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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
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Mrs. Patti Blevins

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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
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Mr. John Sonin

[REDACTED]

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Sincerely,  
Mr. Joseph Jacob

[REDACTED]

**From:** [stephen.n.stone@everyactioncustom.com](mailto:stephen.n.stone@everyactioncustom.com) on behalf of [REDACTED]  
**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
**Date:** Friday, April 09, 2021 5:03:35 PM

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Mr. Stephen Stone  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [hundredthmonk21@everyactioncustom.com](mailto:hundredthmonk21@everyactioncustom.com) on behalf of [REDACTED]  
**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
**Date:** Friday, April 09, 2021 5:40:56 PM

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Ms. Kate Finn  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [michelescornelius@everyactioncustom.com](mailto:michelescornelius@everyactioncustom.com) on behalf of [REDACTED]  
**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
**Date:** Friday, April 09, 2021 6:05:28 PM

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[REDACTED]

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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
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[REDACTED]

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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
**Date:** Friday, April 09, 2021 6:28:02 PM

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[REDACTED]

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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
**Date:** Saturday, April 10, 2021 5:51:14 AM

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[REDACTED]

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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
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[REDACTED]

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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
**Date:** Saturday, April 10, 2021 11:27:55 AM

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Mrs. LINDSEY FINNEY  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** I support HB66  
**Date:** Saturday, April 10, 2021 11:56:55 AM

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I urge you to pass HB 66 to ensure full voting accessibility for all Alaskans. Please don't support any actions that obstruct our voting rights.

Sent from my Galaxy

**From:** [carlanc60@everyactioncustom.com](mailto:carlanc60@everyactioncustom.com) on behalf of [REDACTED]  
**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
**Date:** Saturday, April 10, 2021 12:16:35 PM

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[REDACTED]

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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
**Date:** Saturday, April 10, 2021 2:25:48 PM

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[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [House Judiciary](#); [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [Rep. Chris Tuck](#); [Rep. Matt Claman](#); [Rep. Harriet Drummond](#); [Rep. David Eastman](#); [Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins](#); [Rep. Christopher Kurka](#); [Rep. Liz Snyder](#); [Rep. Sarah Vance](#)  
**Subject:** HB66  
**Date:** Sunday, April 11, 2021 12:15:31 PM

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Dear Alaska House Judiciary:

Voting is the only way many Alaskans have a voice in how our State operates. Voting allows residents to express their values, beliefs, and desires. It is incumbent on the State of Alaska to ensure every eligible citizen who wishes to vote can do so easily and equitably. HB66 will remove barriers to the ballot box at every stage of Alaska's elections making it more convenient to vote before election day and easier to vote on election day. Please support this Bill.

I have lived and voted in Anchorage since 2008 and have always been impressed with the operation of our entire election system from the ease of registering (when I obtained my driver's license) to casting my ballot. I have never needed to wait in a long line to vote; this is right and proper. I am glad Alaska now automatically registers eligible PFD applicants for voting. I applaud the length of early voting and the no-excuse absentee option. I am a strong proponent of Vote-by-Mail and Ranked-Choice voting and am interested to see how Ranked-Choice voting works during our next election cycle. I hope the State of Alaska enacts Vote-by-Mail like we have for Anchorage municipal elections.

I favor regulations that make it easy and equitable for all eligible residents to register and vote. I think it's important that people be able to deliver (to drop boxes, mail boxes, or City Hall) any ballot from a family member, disabled/elderly voter in one trip. I believe all voters ought to be informed about and assisted to cure a troubled ballot quickly in order to have their eligible votes count. We should ensure that, upon their release, felons are informed of how to become eligible to vote again (as applicable). I believe same-day registration and absentee ballot tracking would be beneficial additions to our election system.

HB66 would make our good election system even better. Please support easy and equitable voting for all Alaskans. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Wendy Robbins  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [mattphotos@everyactioncustom.com](mailto:mattphotos@everyactioncustom.com) on behalf of [REDACTED]  
**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
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[REDACTED]

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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
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Mrs. Serena Elftman-Mollenkopf

[REDACTED]

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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
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Ms. Marjorie Ringer

[REDACTED]

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**To:** [Rep. Matt Claman](#); [Rep. Liz Snyder](#); [Rep. Harriet Drummond](#); [Rep. Jonathan Kreiss-Tomkins](#); [Rep. David Eastman](#); [Representative.Christopher.Kurka@aklieg.gov](mailto:Representative.Christopher.Kurka@aklieg.gov); [Rep. Sarah Vance](#); [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** House Bill 66  
**Date:** Monday, April 12, 2021 9:08:30 AM

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Good morning:

I am a constituent from Anchorage, Alaska, writing in regards to HB 66.

This bill is important to Alaska voters because voting is the foundation of democracy and this bill makes voting more accessible to Alaska citizens.

I appreciate being able to vote early and by mail and I know many other people who have a physical disability, which makes voting in person and on election day very difficult.

I understand that some people have claimed that these things cause election fraud. In the 2020 election, many people used early voting and voting by mail, and even former Attorney General William Barr stated that our 2020 election was free and fair.

Finally, reports have shown that early voting and voting by mail are used by both political parties and does not favor either.

I would appreciate your support of HB 66.

Respectfully,

Barbara Gingell-Farris  
Anchorage, Alaska

**From:** [dvpalaska@everyactioncustom.com](mailto:dvpalaska@everyactioncustom.com) on behalf of [REDACTED]  
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Mr. Douglas Van Patten

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
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[REDACTED]

**From:** [jblaine@everyactioncustom.com](mailto:jblaine@everyactioncustom.com) on behalf of [REDACTED]  
**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** HB 66 makes sense  
**Date:** Monday, April 12, 2021 9:08:44 AM

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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
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[REDACTED]

**From:** [gordsue@everyactioncustom.com](mailto:gordsue@everyactioncustom.com) on behalf of [REDACTED]  
**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** HB66 for people that live in the sticks!  
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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

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**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** Please vote yes on HB 66  
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[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**To:** [House Judiciary](#)  
**Subject:** In support of HB 66 and in opposition of SB 39  
**Date:** Monday, April 12, 2021 10:12:32 AM

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**Dear Representative Claman, Representative Snyder, Representative Drummond, Representative Kreiss-Tomkins, Representative Eastman, Representative Kurka, and Representative Vance,**

We are testifying on behalf of the organization, Mat-Su Moms for Social Justice, in support of House Bill 66, sponsored by Representatives Tuck and Schrage, and against Senate Bill 39, sponsored by Senator Shower. Mat-Su Moms for Social Justice is a group of 318 individuals living in greater Palmer and greater Wasilla.

Our organization stands in support of House Bill 66. We believe it is a strong voter enhancement bill because it makes an often confusing process simpler and more consistently predictable for Alaska's diverse group of voters.

Since our country was built on democracy, it is only right that voting get easier — not harder. And SB 39 will indeed make voting more difficult by making it a crime to help one's family members and friends vote, limiting by-mail voting, requiring witnesses for absentee ballot signatures, and changing the popular 2016 PFD automatic voter registration law.

Many influential Alaskans have spoken out against SB 39, including Kendra Kloster, executive director of Native Peoples Action, and Celeste Hodge Growden, president of the Alaska Black Caucus.

We stand with these Alaskan leaders. In 2021, it's time to improve upon voting rights, not make them worse. SB 39 risks knocking Alaska backward into days of voter suppression and inaccessibility that dangerously echo Jim Crow-era laws. Put simply, SB 39 would be an insult to the activists who fought long and hard for voting access in Alaska.

Our state already has a long and turbulent history when it comes to equitable voting access. Elizabeth Peratrovich helped to secure equity and anti-discrimination rights for Alaska Native people with the passage of the Alaska Equal Rights Act of 1945, but it took over 40 more years, the passage of the federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, and two long federal court cases — [Nick v. Bethel](#) and [Toyukak v. Treadwell](#) — to achieve baseline voting rights for Alaska Native people.

If passed, SB 39 would make it more difficult for Alaska Natives — especially those who live in rural areas and/or who speak Indigenous languages — rural Alaskans, the elderly, disabled people, members of the military, Slope workers, fishing industry workers, and more to vote early or absentee.

House Bill 66, on the other hand, aims to make voting easier for all Alaskans by allowing us to register to vote on Election Day and expanding accessibility to mail-in voting. It would require the Division of Elections to include postage-paid return envelopes with absentee

ballots, make early voting locations consistent year after year, and increase pay for poll workers.

HB 66 also proposes eliminating the witness requirement for absentee votes. Alaska is one of only a handful of states to cling to this prohibitive and discriminatory witness law, which disproportionately and negatively impacts people of color, those with disabilities, and the elderly, all of whom deserve fair and easy access to their vote.

Mail-in voting, along with pandemic-related accessibility measures, helped result in a record voter turnout for Alaska in 2020. As citizens of a democracy, we should all agree that increased voter turnout is a good thing.

If state lawmakers are frightened of increased voter turnout to the point that they conjure up cases of serious fraud with no supporting evidence and write bills like SB 39, this is frankly anti-American and anti-democratic, and it is a major cause for concern.

The Mat-Su Moms for Social Justice urges our lawmakers to pass HB 66, which drives our state closer to equity and justice for all, and to eliminate SB 39, which would not only suppress and discriminate against Alaska voters but would also place Alaska under the same national scrutiny and decreased tourism and support that Georgia's voter suppression bill has provoked.

In the spirit of moving our state and country closer to social justice and not further away from it, we once again urge you to pass House Bill 66 and to eliminate Senate Bill 39.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

The Mat-Su Moms for Social Justice

**From:** [REDACTED]  
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**Subject:** HB 66 Testimony  
**Date:** Monday, April 12, 2021 12:10:01 PM

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Hello,

I am an Alaskan resident from Palmer. I am e-mailing in support of House Bill 66. This bill makes voting more accessible to residents of our state. I am in favor of taking barriers away from our states ability to vote. Thank you for your consideration.

Meghan Aube-Trammell

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Dear House Judiciary Committee,

I am very supportive of HB66 and am requesting that you support this bill as well.

As voter suppression bills in nearly every state are being introduced and passed we need to stand strong as Alaskans to insure all our voices are heard. Will you stand up for Alaska voices?

Studies have shown the 2020 election was one of the most secure in history so why are we wasting time, and taxpayer dollar searching for fixes to a system that is not broken? We need to focus on the growth and recovery of our state and push forward policies at modernize our systems. HB 66 could put into policy access and modernization. Let's move forward as a state. I hope your leadership can make that possible.

Please vote yes on HB 66. It is a vote for stronger democracy for our state.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Sandra Garity

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Please vote yes on HB 66. It is a vote for stronger democracy for our state.

Sincerely,  
Ms. Patricia Westbrook

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Ms Su Chon

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To: House Judiciary Committee, Chairperson Claman, Vice Chair Snyder, and  
Committee Members

Re: Testimony in favor of Representative Chris Tuck's HB66: Elections, Voting, Ballots

My name is Jamie Rodriguez and I'm writing from Anchorage in support of  
Representative Chris Tuck's HB66: Elections, Voting, Ballots.

I am very pleased to see a bill like this that moves Alaska's voting process into the twenty-first century. One of the positives that has come out of the Pandemic is that it forced us into reimagining how to get things done efficiently while still keeping communities safe. Alaska not only achieved that goal in the past election, but in the process put into practice some excellent ways to make every step of navigating the voting process easier and more accessible to Alaska's wide range of voters.

Providing choices for early voting, vote by mail, and permanent absentee voting makes it safe, easy, and convenient for people, both urban and rural, to vote in ways that work for their schedules and situations.

For those choosing in-person voting, multiple day early voting centers placed in convenient areas of town add to accessibility and efficiency. I applaud the provision in this bill that calls for the same early voting locations to be available during every election. Not surprisingly, voters turned out in record numbers. I've heard nothing but positive comments about how thoughtfully the election was handled during these challenging times.

HB66 also addresses the issue of absentee ballots slowing final results due to the practice of not being counted until after election day. HB66 provides for absentee ballots being counted as they're received. This change will also prevent prolonged and expensive counting time. I'm very pleased to see that HB66 fixes this issue.

The fact that HB66 makes permanent the many positive changes implemented last year that allowed Alaskans to vote safely and efficiently makes sense. It also makes perfect sense to keep these processes permanently in place because we don't know what direction the pandemic will take. Keeping these Best Practices, will keep us in readiness at all times. HB66 insures this.

For each one of us, our vote is our voice, every citizen's guarantee of having a say in things. HB66 is most definitely a critical step in moving toward a more equitable, accessible, and safe voting system for all. I urge the Alaska Legislature to pass HB66. It's a bill to be proud of.

Thank you.