From:

Susan Whipp <==las2@outlook.com> on

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 12:58 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

Public testimony on PFD

Importance:

High

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am in favor of following standing law and statute. That requires a full PFD, not some arbitrary number pulled from the air. I am old enough to remember the Original purpose of the PFD - to help when all our natural resources were exhausted here in Alaska. We are NOT at that point - not by several hundred years in fact.

Article VIII, section 2 - "The legislature SHALL provide for the utilization, development, and conservation of All natural resources belonging to the state, including land and waters, FOR THE MAXIMUM BENEFIT OF ITS PEOPLE."

Please take note of the fact it states for the maximum benefit of its people. It does Not say for the maximum benefit of the state - it does not say for the maximum benefit of the legislature to pay debts. The PFD belongs to the people of Alaska - it is not for running the government.

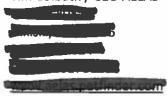
Ladies and Gentlemen, it is time to go back to following standing laws and standing statutes, not ignoring them or changing the meaning of words. SHALL is a directive verb that denotes action. It does not read - 'the legislature MAY'. It reads the legislature SHALL. For the record, the state constitution was never changed to deal with the disaster of 2015. The constitution is the law of the land.

For the above reasons I ask that your committee FOLLOW THE STANDING ALASKA CONSTITUTION! No arbitrary amount - the full amount due to us under the constitution.

I am open to a Compromise. After all, good politicians thrive on compromise (or they used to). The 50/50 split is a fair compromise - IF it is also enshrined into our constitution via a vote of the people of the state. The problem seems to be - at this point - the ignoring of the state's constitution & the ignoring of the will of the people of Alaska.

Thank you for your time and attention to this pressing matter.

Tim Colbath / CEO AELAS



^{&#}x27;Speaking for those who cannot speak for themselves.'

[&]quot;Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." Margaret Mead

From:

Carrie Harris

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 1:10 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

I support a full PFD following the traditional Permanent Fund dividend formula. I know it does not matter to you in any way shape or form that's why I'll also be voting for a constitutional convention in 2022. Congratulations you can will be known as the legislatures who screwed the people so bad we had to step in and rewrite our constitution.

F*** You very much Carrie Harris

P.S.

Alaska history is required to be taught in schools and they're going to be teaching who what and why the Constitution had to be rewritten. You guys are about to make history.

From:

Sabrina Garcia

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 1:16 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

PFD

I haven't received a full PFD since 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 and now we may not even get one in 2021? It's really sad that what Alaska has been through with the pandemic we are really hurting Alaskans even more. When will the madness stop? My small family relies on that money, we actually use it for rent, utilities and school clothes and food, repairs etc. I'm sure a lot of other Alaskans would agree with me on that statement.

\$2350 per person in my small family would pay off debt we incurred during the covid shut down. As I didn't qualify for a lot of aid during that time and racked up credit cards for groceries and utilities, though I'm back to work I got behind. Please please make a decision, give us our PFD

Thank you

From:

Vern Nusunginya <

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 1:20 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

PFD

It has come to a point where the voters have no other option than to clean "house." Due to your inability to provide the citizens of Alaska a reasonable PFD, it is time to vote everyone out of office. It's time to replace you with people who represent the all people, not just the very rich or the very poor.

Vern Nusunginya

Soldotna, Alaska 9966

9/13/2021

Sent from my iPhone

From: Amy <

Sent: Monday, September 13, 2021 1:36 PM

To: Senate Finance Committee

Subject: Pfd

I support a Full PFD. Statutory formula, out into the constitution out of the Government's hands.

Amy Hall North Pole, AK

From:

jjrobinson75 **⊲jjustima 150**, l

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 1:47 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

Save our PFD

We want Full PFD with back pay and voted to be protected by the Alaska Constitution, stop stealing the people's money. Government got its fair share

Sent from my Verizon, Samsung Galaxy smartphone

From:

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 1:55 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

PFD testimony

Legislators:

I want you to pay Alaska residents a statutory PFD and pay back the PFDs that have been stolen from us the past several years.

I am 100% in favor of gutting govt spending. That is GUTTING, not just cutting. The govt in alaska is bloated and has no sense of fiscal responsibility.

The constitution is the law of the land, not appointed advisors. Quit trying to over reach your authority.

Stop trying to make Alaska like the lower 48. Things that work there DO NOT work here. Think like Alaska. Stop trying to be like DC.

Do a forensic audit of our elections. I want to know which members of the left AND right are subverting the will of the people.

I also want legislative sessions to be on the road system to keep you all from hiding from public scrutiny.

Aaron Hall



From: Aldean Kilbourn Aldean Kilbourn <a href=

To: Senate Finance Committee

Subject: Vote yes to add PFD to the Constitution!

Fairbanks, AK 99709

"nearly all men can withstand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power." Abraham Lincoln

From:

Cindy < Colored & Contambination >

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 2:13 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

Pfd

Stop the raid on the pfd! At the very least make half of it untouchable for government use. It should have been set aside for the people in the constitution long ago to keep you from stealing it. Those of you voting to take it from the people are going to go down in history as the worst legislators in Alaska history.

Sent from my iPhone

From:

John Stoffa < Ctoffs | Committee | Committ

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 5:14 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

PFD

We as Rural Alaskans Need an rely on this PFD yearly. I lived in Fort Yukon Alaska for 27 yrs an before i moved 2 yrs sgo for a better job. We were paying up to \$25 for s gallon on fresh milk average\$300 /\$500 amonth.... An to fill our 1 truck for family it cost \$180 week to fill....an that's not counting groceries or the \$1 per /kilawatt we pay for electricity.. average cost for utilities amonth in winter months is about \$1000.....So having AK CONGRESSMAN an Women STEAL OUR PFD LAST COUPLE YEARS HURTS MY FAMILY BIG TIME AN SHOULD PAYOUT FULL DIVIDEND THIS YEAR PLUS INTEREST FOR ALL THE MONEY YOUVE ILLEGALLY STOLEN FROM PFDS OF THE PAST ITS NOT YOUR TO SPEND AN NEVER WAS YOU GREEDY BASTARDS. QUIT OVER SPENDING WITH THESE OUTRAGES BUDGETS THAT DEMOCRATS KEEP MAKING UP POSITIONS AN TITLES FOR FRIENDS AN FAMILY AN DONT DO SHIT FOR IT...WASTEFUL SPENDING..EVEN IN MY VILLAGES I SEE PROGRAMS LIBERALS MAKE AN START THAT PEOPLE DONT DO ANYTHING FOR THEIR PAYCKS....MORE WASTEFUL SPENDING EVERY YEAR AN NOTHING HAS IMPROVED THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR MAJORITY OF THE VILLAGE..ONLY THE CROOKED ADMIN WHO HIRE FAMILY AN MAKE UP JOBS FOR MORE FAMILY GET ANYTHING OUT OF MOST OF THESE LIBERAL PROGRAMS THAT THEY SAY HELP OUR SMALLL RURAL COMMUNITIES..AN ALL THEY DO IS TEACH PPL HOW TO BE CORRUPT GREEDY ASSHOLES AN SCAM MONEY FOR THEMSELVES EVEN AS A JOURNEYMAN ELECTRICIAN I STRUGGLE LIVING IN RURAL VILLAGE...AN STILL STUGGLE LIVING IN BARROW ALASKA NOW... GIVE US OUR MONEY BK AN PAY OUT FULL DIVIDEND...WE NEED OUR MONEY. WHICH WAS FOR NATIVES ORIGINALLY AN YOUVE GOT YOUR WAY BY PAYING OUT ALL RESIDENTS NOW YOUR STEALING FROM EVERYONE.....THANKS TO THE REPUBS NOT THE RHINOS THAT VITED TO PAY OUT FULL DIVIS. BUT ALSO NEED TO PAYBK OUR DIVIDEND MONEY YOUVE STOLEN ... CANT SAY IT ENOUGH ..LIBERALS ARE GREEDY CROOKS.

From:

James Washam < www.1071@yohoo.com

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 5:45 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

PFD Theft

Since 2016, the State of Alaska has stolen in excess of \$50,000 from my household alone. We demand that these funds be returned and the people responsible be replaced with individuals who are capable of utilizing a checkbook.

Respectfully, James S. Washam Wasilla, AK

Sent from my iPhone

From:

trittbobby15 < ###bobby15@gmaileom

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 5:41 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

Dear honor state leaders.

My name is Bobby Tritt from Venetie but now I live in Anchorage for last 3 years the people of Alaska really need that PFD first off all I got alot of respect for you all in Juneau not only they need the money it's good for all the Business. Every Year alot of the money goes to kid's winter gear and school stuff so please give everybody a break give big PFD thank you very much for working for us.

Sent from my Galaxy

From:

Alyssa Bourrillion-Washam <abustiliarian

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 5:42 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

PFD

The Alaska Constitution says that the state owes me money from 2016 to now. It would be greatly appreciated if our legislators would stop playing with the present and future of our dividends and give us what is owed.

Thank you, Alyssa Washam Resident of Wasilla,Ak

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

From: Alan Washam <

Sent: Monday, September 13, 2021 5:52 PM

To: Senate Finance Committee

Subject: PFD

To whom,

I was robbed of my graduation, didn't receive any stimulus and have been struggling to get through this Pandemic. Please give Alaskans (our) the full PFD.

Sincerely, Alan Bourrillion Washam

From:

jonodsather designation by allowing

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 6:30 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

Ak permanent fund

Please all of you regardless of your financial prowess or ineptitude, realize that wonted disregard for that which is not yours is illegal. And usurpation of direction that it's money expenditures is corrupt. Please immediately pay that which ought be due to every Alaskan.

Thanks & Have a Great Day! Jon Odsather

From:

Pele Alboro

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 6:45 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

PFD

Committee,

I do think we should get our full PFD and the back pay foe the last five years. We the working average class could use it to help us. I also think it could boost our economy in many ways because we would end up using within our community. So please think about what you guys are doing. And if anything I think you folks should leave it up to a people's vote, we deserve atleast that..

Mary "Kuulei" Malloe & Pele "Vai" Alboro

From:

LAURIE ROBINSON <

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 7:30 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

Save our PFD

Legislators,

I want a full PFD and pay back the PFDs that have been stolen from us the past several years.

Obviously, the government has taken enough from the Alaska residents, and proven to be irresponsible with their own budget, so why should they be trusted with the money that constitutionally belongs to the people?

The constitution is not a suggestion, it is the law and while you expect the residents to follow the laws, maybe you need to start setting an example and do the same.

Its time to put up or shut up. Do your job lawfully or resign your position. It really is just that simple!

Laurie Robinson

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From:

Bob Redlinger <

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 8:26 PM

To: Subject:

Senate Finance Committee HB3000 hearing on 9/13/2021

Senators on the Finance Committee:

I was not able to call in today as I had to watch my youngest granddaughter. I did view the hearing later in the day. What deeply concerns me is all the misinformation in the public mind pertaining to the PFD. Unfortunately there probably isn't much that can be done to enlighten those folks on the truth. I do lay blame at the feet of legislators who campaigned and continue to insist on a full PFD and to pay all the back PFD's. You/we need to think about the future of this State. Like it or not we derive the majority of our funding for the State budget from an endowment. You/we must ensure that the temptation for over drawing the PF will have detrimental effects for generations to come. I don't want my granddaughter to ask me one day "Why did that happen Opa?" Thank you.

Sincerely,

Robert M. Redlinger District N

From:

Aleah Stein

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 8:48 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

We need our full Statutory PFD!!!

I'm writing today for my family, for my children, for my neighbors, for my parents and for all other Alaskans who have been waiting for news on the PFD... We NEED a full Statutory PFD. The original formula worked for years and with the rate the PF is growing, would still work today and for many years to come. The PFD was always for the people and we need it. People are leaving Alaska, our state will fall if we don't make these corrections now.

Consider what you are taking from the people who keep this great state running. Pay us our rightful PFD!! You should have never taken from it to begin with. This is not up to you!

Aleah Stein

From: Vanessa Perdue

Sent: Monday, September 13, 2021 9:36 PM

To: Senate Finance Committee

Subject: This money is desperately needed by Alaskans please vote to give us a decent pfd

From:

Jason McCoy <

Sent:

Tuesday, September 14, 2021 6:52 AM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

PFD

I'm for a full PFD. Never understood how you have lied to Alaskan by saying Alaskan coukd not get a full PFD. If they did, it would bancr8the PFD. The full amount was withdrawn, just that government kept more and gave citizens less. Either give the full PFD or give mineral rights back to individual Alaskans

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From:

AKHURST <

Sent:

Tuesday, September 14, 2021 6:59 AM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

PFD

Stop taking the PFD from Alaskan families. You keep taking more and more without a vote from the people. You know if this was voted on the dividend would be made permanent and at the level it was at when it started. This money is not for you representatives to take and spend at your whim. It was meant for the people and should stay for the people. Stop making changes to the PFD without a vote from the people you are suppose to represent!!!

From:

beckyzahller

Sent:

Tuesday, September 14, 2021 8:33 AM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

2021 PFD

Dear Legislators,

I just want to send a quick reminder to ALL of you. YOU WORK FOR THE PEOPLE OF ALASKA! You are not there to make your own decisions, you are there to make OUR decisions. The people of Alaska have told you over and over to pay out the full PFD. PAY IT!! If the people of Alaska tell you to jump, you ask how high. If you can't or won't do what the people want, QUIT.

Sincerely, Becky Zahller

Sent from my Galaxy

From:

Ann Thompson

Sent:

Monday, September 13, 2021 7:08 PM

To:

Senate Finance Committee

Subject:

PFD

If we continue to 'give away' a portion of our PFDs each year to cover the state's deficit, when will it ever end? Similar to the Federal government using our Social Security monies for the same purpose. At this point, I will be lucky to get any social security benefits at all. Deficits never end. What needs to happen is to find a way to curtail spending and live within our means, the same way each of our families is expected to handle our personal budgets. The only difference is that the state/government operates on a much larger scale. To this end, dipping into the PFD to satisfy the state's debt will only diminish it to the point of nonexistence. The state's budget deficit was not created by us so why punish us for it? The solution belongs to those who created the problem. Let them solve it without taking from the little guy in the process.