

Mina Ryan

From: Mary McDowell [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 1:40 PM
To: House Labor and Commerce; House Community and Regional Affairs; House Judiciary
Subject: Public comment in strong support of HB99: Prohibiting discrimination of Alaskans

Dear Members of the House Labor and Commerce, Community and Regional Affairs, and Judiciary Committees,

I write to urge passage of HB99, a long overdue measure to make it clear in state law that we, as a state and as Alaskans, do not allow discrimination and unequal treatment of our citizens due to sexual orientation or gender identity or expression.

I can't imagine that anyone who truly listened to the powerful, poignant, rational public testimony presented in yesterday's (3/20/23) House Labor and Commerce hearing could justify or want to do anything but fully support passage of this legislation. The bill simply reinforces the very principles we Alaskans hold dear -- the principles of supporting and protecting every person's right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; to live in safety, peace, and security; and to be able to reach their full potential as individuals and contributing members of society.

PLEASE pass this very important legislation as soon as possible.

Thank you,

Mary McDowell
Juneau

Mina Ryan

From: silvajohnson99@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Tania Silva-Johnson
<silvajohnson99@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 4, 2023 8:48 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

LGBTQ+ Alaskans deserve equality, period. LGBTQ+ Alaskans are our friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers. When it comes to being able to earn a living, having a place to live, or being served by a business or government office, they should be treated like anyone else and not be discriminated against.

I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

Governor Dunleavy's HB 105/SB96 is an attack on LGBTQ+ youth and will undoubtedly increase bullying, harassment, and stigmatization towards trans students in particular. Through this bill, Dunleavy is attacking Alaska students' sense of safety, making it extremely difficult for LGBTQ+ kids to live healthy and safe lives. All kids deserve to be safe at school. Trans youth should be treated with dignity and respect and should have the opportunity to live a healthy life.

To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Mrs Tania Silva-Johnson

[REDACTED] Kodiak, AK 99615-6228

[REDACTED]

Mina Ryan

From: denisegreger@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Denise Greger
<denisegreger@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 4, 2023 4:40 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

LGBTQ+ Alaskans, like all other Alaskans, deserve to be treated with dignity and respect. HB 105/SB 96 would infringe on their rights. To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB 96.

Instead, please pass HB99/SB 108. Liberty and justice for all!
Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Ms Denise Greger
[REDACTED] Anchorage, AK 99508-1225
[REDACTED]

Mina Ryan

From: emilymirandacohen@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Emily Cohen
<emilymirandacohen@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 6, 2023 5:06 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Support HB99

Dear Community and Regional Affairs Alaska House,

I am writing as a concerned Alaskan and an ally to the LGBTQ2 community to urge members to support House Bill 99.

It can go without saying that discrimination has very real impacts on LGBTQ2 youth, adults, and elders within the state of Alaska. According to the 2020 Alaskan LGBTQ+ Health Needs Assessment Survey, 85% of Alaskan LGBTQ2 adults have reported experiencing a mental health disorder. According to the Trevor Project, more than half of all Alaskan LGBTQ2 youth reported experiencing depression, and almost three-fourths experiencing significant anxiety. Alaska Native LGBTQ2 youth, in particular, report more instances of harassment and discrimination due to being LGBTQ2, furthering already-abhorrent mental health statistics and making them 2.5 times more likely to attempt suicide than non-Native LGBTQ2 peers.

Living in a state where there are no laws prohibiting discrimination against LGBTQ2 Alaskans—in fact, where protections that once existed for housing, finance, and more, were recently rolled back—undoubtedly contributes to the harmful mental health statistics being faced by LGBTQ2 Alaskans. This should not be okay by any standards, and Alaskans all over the state are asking for action and progress.

The 33rd Legislature has a unique opportunity to build a brighter and more equitable future where ALL Alaskans can thrive without the ever-present threat of discrimination. I urge you to take bold leadership and support passage of House Bill 99, to build a better Alaska for tomorrow.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,
Ms. Emily Cohen

██████████ Anchorage, AK 99504-3928 ██████████

Mina Ryan

From: paigedunker@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of John Dunker
<paigedunker@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 6, 2023 10:27 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Support HB99

Dear Community and Regional Affairs Alaska House,

I am writing as a concerned Alaskan and an ally to the LGBTQ2 community to urge members to support House Bill 99.

Discrimination has very real impacts on LGBTQ2 youth, adults, and elders in Alaska. According to the 2020 Alaskan LGBTQ+ Health Needs Assessment Survey, 85% of Alaskan LGBTQ2 adults have reported experiencing a mental health disorder. According to the Trevor Project, more than half of all Alaskan LGBTQ2 youth reported experiencing depression, and almost three-fourths experiencing significant anxiety. Alaska Native LGBTQ2 youth, in particular, report more instances of harassment and discrimination due to being LGBTQ2, furthering already-abhorrent mental health statistics and making them 2.5 times more likely to attempt suicide than non-Native LGBTQ2 peers.

In a state where there are no laws prohibiting discrimination against LGBTQ2 Alaskans – in fact, where protections that once existed for housing, finance, and more, were recently rolled back - it is not surprising that our LGBTQ2 neighbors are unfairly burdened in ways most of us do not experience. This is fundamentally unjust, and Alaskans all over the state are asking for action and progress.

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Sincerely,

Sincerely,

Mr. John Dunker

Juneau, AK 99801-1448

Mina Ryan

From: jane@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jane Atkinson
<jane@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, April 7, 2023 1:14 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Support HB99

Dear Community and Regional Affairs Alaska House,

I am writing as a concerned Alaskan and small business owner and an ally to the LGBTQ2 community to urge members to support House Bill 99.

It can go without saying that discrimination has very real impacts on LGBTQ2 youth, adults, and elders within the state of Alaska. It also effects the business community. According to the 2020 Alaskan LGBTQ+ Health Needs Assessment Survey, 85% of Alaskan LGBTQ2 adults have reported experiencing a mental health disorder. According to the Trevor Project, more than half of all Alaskan LGBTQ2 youth reported experiencing depression, and almost three-fourths experiencing significant anxiety. Alaska Native LGBTQ2 youth, in particular, report more instances of harassment and discrimination due to being LGBTQ2, furthering already-abhorrent mental health statistics and making them 2.5 times more likely to attempt suicide than non-Native LGBTQ2 peers.

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Sincerely,

Jane Atkinson

Sincerely,
Ms. Jane Atkinson

██████████ Fairbanks, AK 99709-6161 ██████████

Mina Ryan

From: rottador@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Emily Sousa
<rottador@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, April 7, 2023 8:50 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Support HB99

Dear Community and Regional Affairs Alaska House,

I am writing as a concerned Alaskan and an ally to the LGBTQ2 community to urge members to support House Bill 99.

It can go without saying that discrimination has very real impacts on LGBTQ2 youth, adults, and elders within the state of Alaska. According to the 2020 Alaskan LGBTQ+ Health Needs Assessment Survey, 85% of Alaskan LGBTQ2 adults have reported experiencing a mental health disorder. According to the Trevor Project, more than half of all Alaskan LGBTQ2 youth reported experiencing depression, and almost three-fourths experiencing significant anxiety. Alaska Native LGBTQ2 youth, in particular, report more instances of harassment and discrimination due to being LGBTQ2, furthering already-abhorrent mental health statistics and making them 2.5 times more likely to attempt suicide than non-Native LGBTQ2 peers.

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Sincerely,

Sincerely,

Mx. Emily Sousa

██████████ Fairbanks, AK 99709-6416 ██████████

Mina Ryan

From: knicely_joshua@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Joshua Knicely
<knicely_joshua@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, April 7, 2023 8:57 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Support HB99

Dear Community and Regional Affairs Alaska House,

I am writing as a concerned Alaskan and an ally to the LGBTQ2 community to urge members to support House Bill 99.

It can go without saying that discrimination has very real impacts on LGBTQ2 youth, adults, and elders within the state of Alaska. According to the 2020 Alaskan LGBTQ+ Health Needs Assessment Survey, 85% of Alaskan LGBTQ2 adults have reported experiencing a mental health disorder. According to the Trevor Project, more than half of all Alaskan LGBTQ2 youth reported experiencing depression, and almost three-fourths experiencing significant anxiety. Alaska Native LGBTQ2 youth, in particular, report more instances of harassment and discrimination due to being LGBTQ2, furthering already-aborrent mental health statistics and making them 2.5 times more likely to attempt suicide than non-Native LGBTQ2 peers.

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Further, detestable treatment of the LGBTQ+ community by the Alaskan government will drive away skilled workers, workers like me. I am about to receive my doctorate in geophysics and I have a job lined up at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. It's going to pay me \$71,000 per year. That's more than twice what I have ever earned. It also sets me up to start working at NASA JPL in a few years, which is literally my dream job. I share this so you can fully understand how invested I am in staying in Alaska and can understand what it means when I say I am seriously considering turning this offer down and leaving the state. I will not contribute to a state that promotes hate, and until the Alaskan government protects ALL of its citizens - including the LGBTQ+ community and in spite of what Gov. Dunleavy is trying to do - the Alaskan economy will suffer just like the citizens this state has failed to protect.

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Sincerely,

Sincerely,
Mr. Joshua Knicely

██████████ North Pole, AK 99705-6979 ██████████

Mina Ryan

From: claycompton@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Clay Compton
<claycompton@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, April 7, 2023 8:58 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Support HB99

Dear Community and Regional Affairs Alaska House,

Please support House Bill 99.

It can go without saying that discrimination has very real impacts on LGBTQ2 youth, adults, and elders within the state of Alaska. According to the 2020 Alaskan LGBTQ+ Health Needs Assessment Survey, 85% of Alaskan LGBTQ2 adults have reported experiencing a mental health disorder. According to the Trevor Project, more than half of all Alaskan LGBTQ2 youth reported experiencing depression, and almost three-fourths experiencing significant anxiety. Alaska Native LGBTQ2 youth, in particular, report more instances of harassment and discrimination due to being LGBTQ2, furthering already-aborrent mental health statistics and making them 2.5 times more likely to attempt suicide than non-Native LGBTQ2 peers.

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Sincerely,

Sincerely,
Mr. Clay Compton

Bellevue, WA 98004-7642

Mina Ryan

From: maknight17@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Monika Knight <maknight17@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, April 7, 2023 2:34 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Support HB99

Dear Community and Regional Affairs Alaska House,

I am writing as a concerned Alaskan and an ally to the LGBTQ2 community to urge members to support House Bill 99.

It can go without saying that discrimination has very real impacts on LGBTQ2 youth, adults, and elders within the state of Alaska. According to the 2020 Alaskan LGBTQ+ Health Needs Assessment Survey, 85% of Alaskan LGBTQ2 adults have reported experiencing a mental health disorder. According to the Trevor Project, more than half of all Alaskan LGBTQ2 youth reported experiencing depression, and almost three-fourths experiencing significant anxiety. Alaska Native LGBTQ2 youth, in particular, report more instances of harassment and discrimination due to being LGBTQ2, furthering already-abhorrent mental health statistics and making them 2.5 times more likely to attempt suicide than non-Native LGBTQ2 peers.

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Sincerely,

Sincerely,

Ms. Monika Knight

██████████ Anchorage, AK 99503-1878 ██████████

Mina Ryan

From: smith.l.esther@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Esther Smith
<smith.l.esther@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, April 7, 2023 2:51 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Support HB99

Dear Community and Regional Affairs Alaska House,

I am writing as a concerned Alaskan and a member of the LGBTQ2 community to urge members to support House Bill 99.

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Sincerely,

Sincerely,
Mx. Esther Smith

[REDACTED] Anchorage, AK 99501-4821 [REDACTED]

Mina Ryan

From: leanna907@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Leanna Williams <leanna907@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, April 7, 2023 5:57 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

LGBTQ+ Alaskans deserve equality, period. LGBTQ+ Alaskans are our friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers. When it comes to being able to earn a living, having a place to live, or being served by a business or government office, they should be treated like anyone else and not be discriminated against.

I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

Governor Dunleavy's HB 105/SB96 is an attack on LGBTQ+ youth and will undoubtedly increase bullying, harassment, and stigmatization towards trans students in particular. Through this bill, Dunleavy is attacking Alaska students' sense of safety, making it extremely difficult for LGBTQ+ kids to live healthy and safe lives. All kids deserve to be safe at school. Trans youth should be treated with dignity and respect and should have the opportunity to live a healthy life.

To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Ms Leanna Williams

[REDACTED] Fairbanks, AK 99712-1249 [REDACTED]

Mina Ryan

From: kai.doak907@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Kai Doak <kai.doak907@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, April 7, 2023 10:24 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

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I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

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To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Mx. Kai Doak

North Pole, AK 99705-5423

Mina Ryan

From: anneschuerger@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Anne Schuerger
<anneschuerger@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Saturday, April 8, 2023 8:21 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

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To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Ms. Anne Schuerger
[REDACTED] Ketchikan, AK 99901
[REDACTED]

Mina Ryan

From: larry.simmonsak@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Lawrence Simmons
<larry.simmonsak@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 12:27 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: I strongly oppose HB 105, but support HB 99

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

I am a disabled veteran who served 20 years in the Army because I believe in the Bill of Rights and the Constitution. When I took my oath, those weren't just words to me; they are part of who I am. As Americans, we are obligated and duty-bound to treat all human beings with dignity and respect regardless of race, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression. HB 105 is nothing more than an attempt by this governor to join the ranks of other governors across the country who want to silence and force our LGBTQ+ brothers and sisters back into the closet and treat them differently. This bill is wrong on every level and I oppose it.

Governor Dunleavy's HB 105 would undoubtedly increase bullying, harassment, and stigmatization towards trans students in particular. Through this bill, Dunleavy is attacking Alaska students' sense of safety, making it extremely difficult for LGBTQ+ kids to live healthy and safe lives. All kids deserve to be safe at school. Trans youth should be treated with dignity and respect and should have the opportunity to live a healthy life.

To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105. The legislature should feel duty-bound to pass HB 99 to protect the LGBTQ+ community from discrimination.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Mr. Lawrence Simmons
[REDACTED] Soldotna, AK 99669-6506
[REDACTED]

Mina Ryan

From: jesslhoffman@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jessica Hoffman
<jesslhoffman@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 6:26 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

LGBTQ+ Alaskans deserve equality, period. LGBTQ+ Alaskans are our friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers. When it comes to being able to earn a living, having a place to live, or being served by a business or government office, they should be treated like anyone else and not be discriminated against.

I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

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To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Dr. Jessica Hoffman

[REDACTED] Anchorage, AK 99503-1657 [REDACTED]

Mina Ryan

From: mrholland@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Megan Holland
<mrholland@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 7:59 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

I am a lesbian Alaskan, born and raised in Anchorage. I speak from love for my state and my community. LGBTQ+ Alaskans deserve equality. LGBTQ+ Alaskans are our friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers. When it comes to being able to earn a living, having a place to live, or being served by a business or government office, they should be treated like anyone else and not be discriminated against.

I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

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Many of you may not understand what it is like to live afraid and in the closet. I did so for most of my youth and young adult life. Policies like this create a hostile environment for incredibly vulnerable trans youth. I came very close to ending my life, but I'm still here because I found a community that loved and accepted me. Trans youth are at a dangerously high risk of losing their life to suicide. All kids deserve to be safe at school and accepted by their community. Trans youth should be treated with dignity and respect and should have the opportunity to live a healthy life.

To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Ms. Megan Holland

██████████ Anchorage, AK 99507-1311 ██████████

Mina Ryan

From: gnrenfroe@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Georgianne Renfroe
<gnrenfroe@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 8:38 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

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To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Georgianne Renfroe
[REDACTED] Anchorage, AK 99508-1212
[REDACTED]

Mina Ryan

From: nolanlind@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Nolan Lind
<nolanlind@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 10:36 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

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To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Mr. Nolan Lind

██████████ Anchorage, AK 99516-1955 ██████████

Mina Ryan

From: jamey.bradbury@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jamey Bradbury
<jamey.bradbury@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 10:48 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

LGBTQIA+ Alaskans deserve equality, period. As an individual who identifies as asexual, I align myself with my LGBTQIA+ allies, who deserve to be able to earn a living, have a place to live, and be served by businesses and the government--a government that is supposed to represent all Alaskans, and not just the most powerful Alaskans.

LGBTQIA people should have the right to live free of discrimination.

I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQIA+ Equality.

Governor Dunleavy's HB 105/SB96 is an attack on LGBTQIA+ youth and will undoubtedly increase bullying, harassment, and stigmatization towards trans students in particular. Through this bill, Dunleavy is attacking Alaska students' sense of safety, making it extremely difficult for LGBTQ+ kids to live healthy and safe lives. All kids deserve to be safe at school. Trans youth should be treated with dignity and respect and should have the opportunity to live a healthy life.

To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Ms. Jamey Bradbury

[REDACTED] Anchorage, AK 99517-3047 [REDACTED]

Mina Ryan

From: vlrosse@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Virginia Griffith
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Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 10:57 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

LGBTQ+ Alaskans deserve equality, period. LGBTQ+ Alaskans are our friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers. When it comes to being able to earn a living, having a place to live, or being served by a business or government office, they should be treated like anyone else and not be discriminated against.

I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

Governor Dunleavy's HB 105/SB96 is an attack on LGBTQ+ youth and will undoubtedly increase bullying, harassment, and stigmatization towards trans students in particular. Through this bill, Dunleavy is attacking Alaska students' sense of safety, making it extremely difficult for LGBTQ+ kids to live healthy and safe lives. All kids deserve to be safe at school. Trans youth should be treated with dignity and respect and should have the opportunity to live a healthy life.

To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Virginia Griffith

Eagle River, AK 99577-8643

Mina Ryan

From: cpegau@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Catherine Pegau
<cpegau@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 11:56 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

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I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

Governor Dunleavy's HB 105/SB96 is an attack on LGBTQ+ youth and will undoubtedly increase bullying, harassment, and stigmatization towards trans students in particular. Through this bill, Dunleavy is attacking Alaska students' sense of safety, making it extremely difficult for LGBTQ+ kids to live healthy and safe lives. All kids deserve to be safe at school. Trans youth should be treated with dignity and respect and should have the opportunity to live a healthy life.

To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

As a mother of a transgender child who went through the Alaska school system, I can attest to the difficulties he had. He did not feel safe until after leaving school. No child should feel uncomfortable or unsafe in their school!

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Catherine Pegau
[REDACTED] Cordova, AK 99574-2126
[REDACTED]

Mina Ryan

From: mcfarlinhl@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Heather McFarlin
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Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 12:44 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

LGBTQ+ Alaskans deserve equality, period. LGBTQ+ Alaskans are our friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers. When it comes to being able to earn a living, having a place to live, or being served by a business or government office, they should be treated like anyone else and not be discriminated against.

I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality. Passing this bill will immediately make the livelihood of my family better. The continued assault on the rights of LGBTQ2IA+ people must stop, many are having to find exit strategies and plan to flee the states they are in. Alaskans have enough to worry about with the housing crisis, food insecurity, healthcare insecurity, and cuts to educational funding and other social services. We don't need the additional worry of where or not our very existence will be deemed illegal.

Governor Dunleavy's HB 105/SB96 is an attack on LGBTQ+ youth and will undoubtedly increase bullying, harassment, and stigmatization towards trans students in particular. Through this bill, Dunleavy is attacking Alaska students' sense of safety, making it extremely difficult for LGBTQ+ kids to live healthy and safe lives. All kids deserve to be safe at school. Trans youth should be treated with dignity and respect and should have the opportunity to live a healthy life.

To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Dr. Heather McFarlin
[REDACTED] Fairbanks, AK 99701-4606
[REDACTED]

Mina Ryan

From: sami.quinn3@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Samantha Quinn <sami.quinn3@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 12:45 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

LGBTQ+ Alaskans deserve equality, period. LGBTQ+ Alaskans are our friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers. When it comes to being able to earn a living, having a place to live, or being served by a business or government office, they should be treated like anyone else and not be discriminated against.

I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

Governor Dunleavy's HB 105/SB96 is an attack on LGBTQ+ youth and will undoubtedly increase bullying, harassment, and stigmatization towards trans students in particular. Through this bill, Dunleavy is attacking Alaska students' sense of safety, making it extremely difficult for LGBTQ+ kids to live healthy and safe lives. All kids deserve to be safe at school. Trans youth should be treated with dignity and respect and should have the opportunity to live a healthy life.

To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Samantha Quinn

██████████ Anchorage, AK 99502-3075 ██████████

Mina Ryan

From: vebrooks@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Valerie Brooks
<vebrooks@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 1:58 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

LGBTQ+ Alaskans deserve equality, period. LGBTQ+ Alaskans are our friends, neighbors, students, family, and coworkers. When it comes to being able to earn a living, having a place to live, or being served by a business or government office, they should be treated like anyone else and not be discriminated against. All deserve equity and support.

I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

Governor Dunleavy's HB 105/SB96 is an attack on LGBTQ+ youth and will undoubtedly increase bullying, harassment, and stigmatization towards trans students in particular. Through this bill, Dunleavy is attacking Alaska students' sense of safety, making it extremely difficult for LGBTQ+ kids to live healthy and safe lives. All kids deserve to be safe at school. Trans youth should be treated with dignity and respect and should have the opportunity to live a healthy life.

To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Dr Valerie Brooks

[REDACTED] Ketchikan, AK 99901-5734 [REDACTED]

Mina Ryan

From: boyocroft@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Burke Croft
<boyocroft@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 3:12 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: LGBT+ Alaskans Deserve Equality

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

Alaskans of every kind deserve to be safe from discrimination, and currently discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression are not outlawed in statute. Please support HB99/SB 108 to change that.

Furthermore, we cannot afford to implement more discriminatory laws, such as HB 105/ SB 96, which will make it harder to live as a trans kid in Alaska. Putting aside the equity concerns, even for cis kids, forcing parents to approve alternative names that kids prefer to be called in the classroom places unnecessary logistical burdens on teachers and school staff that is the last thing our school system needs.

Supporting our teachers and protecting trans kids are important goals we need to prioritize in education policy. HB99/SB 108 does that. HB 105/ SB 96 does not. Please vote accordingly when you hear these bills.

Sincerely,

Mr. Burke Croft

██████████ Anchorage, AK 99501-5031
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Mina Ryan

From: Swighs@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sarah Sullivan
<Swighs@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 4:26 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

LGBTQ+ Alaskans deserve equality, period. LGBTQ+ Alaskans are our friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers. When it comes to being able to earn a living, having a place to live, or being served by a business or government office, they should be treated like anyone else and not be discriminated against.

I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

Governor Dunleavy's HB 105/SB96 is an attack on LGBTQ+ youth and will undoubtedly increase bullying, harassment, and stigmatization towards trans students in particular. Through this bill, Dunleavy is attacking Alaska students' sense of safety, making it extremely difficult for LGBTQ+ kids to live healthy and safe lives. All kids deserve to be safe at school. Trans youth should be treated with dignity and respect and should have the opportunity to live a healthy life.

To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Sarah Sullivan
[REDACTED] Fairbanks, AK 99709-2905
[REDACTED]

Mina Ryan

From: averiesahar@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Averie Wells
<averiesahar@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 4:45 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

LGBTQ+ Alaskans deserve equality, period. LGBTQ+ Alaskans are our friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers. When it comes to being able to earn a living, having a place to live, or being served by a business or government office, they should be treated like anyone else and not be discriminated against.

I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

Governor Dunleavy's HB 105/SB96 is an attack on LGBTQ+ youth and will undoubtedly increase bullying, harassment, and stigmatization towards trans students in particular. Through this bill, Dunleavy is attacking Alaska students' sense of safety, making it extremely difficult for LGBTQ+ kids to live healthy and safe lives. All kids deserve to be safe at school. Trans youth should be treated with dignity and respect and should have the opportunity to live a healthy life.

To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Miss Averie Wells

[REDACTED] Anchorage, AK 99515-2805 [REDACTED]

Mina Ryan

From: aaronbrakel@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Aaron Brakel
<aaronbrakel@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 4:46 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

I am happy to support HB 99/SB 108.

LGBTQ+ Alaskans deserve equality, period. LGBTQ+ Alaskans are our friends, neighbors, family, and coworkers. When it comes to being able to earn a living, having a place to live, or being served by a business or government office, they should be treated like anyone else and not be discriminated against.

I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

My family and I oppose HB 105/SB96.

Governor Dunleavy's HB 105/SB96 is an attack on LGBTQ+ youth and will undoubtedly increase bullying, harassment, and stigmatization towards trans students in particular. Through this bill, Dunleavy is attacking Alaska students' sense of safety, making it extremely difficult for LGBTQ+ kids to live healthy and safe lives. All kids deserve to be safe at school. Trans youth should be treated with dignity and respect and should have the opportunity to live a healthy life.

To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Mr. Aaron Brakel

██████████ Douglas, AK 99824-5452

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Mina Ryan

From: alexakdobson@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Alexa Dobson
<alexakdobson@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 10:46 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

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I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

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To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Ms Alexa Dobson

██████████ Anchorage, AK 99501-4708 ██████████

Mina Ryan

From: erintilly@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Erin Tilly
<erintilly@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, April 9, 2023 10:48 PM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

LGBTQ+ Alaskans deserve equality, period. LGBTQ+ Alaskans are US. YOUR CONSTITUENTS. When it comes to being able to earn a living, having a place to live, or being served by a business or government office, WE should be treated like anyone else and not be discriminated against.

I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

Governor Dunleavy's HB 105/SB96 is an attack on LGBTQ+ youth and will undoubtedly increase bullying, harassment, and stigmatization towards trans students in particular. Through this bill, Dunleavy is attacking Alaska students' sense of safety, making it extremely difficult for LGBTQ+ kids to live healthy and safe lives. All kids deserve to be safe at school. Trans youth should be treated with dignity and respect and should have the opportunity to live a healthy life.

To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Mz Erin Tilly

██████████ Fairbanks, AK 99709-5976 ██████████

Mina Ryan

From: emajeglynn@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Julie Glynn
<emajeglynn@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, April 10, 2023 12:00 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

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I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

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To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Julie Glynn

██████████ Eagle River, AK 99577-8670 ██████████

Mina Ryan

From: melinkolli@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Meli Syphus
<melinkolli@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, April 10, 2023 10:28 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality and Oppose HB 105/SB96

Dear Alaska House Community & Regional Affairs Committee,

Please pass HB 99/SB 108: LGBTQ+ Equality and oppose HB 105/SB96, Governor Dunleavy's attack on LGBTQ+ youth.

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I urge you to pass HB 99/SB108: LGBTQ+ Equality.

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To protect all students' privacy and health, I urge you to oppose HB 105/SB96.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Mx. Meli Syphus

[REDACTED] Anchorage, AK 99504-3450 [REDACTED]

Mina Ryan

From: klocster@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Emily Kloc
<klocster@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, April 10, 2023 11:15 AM
To: House Community and Regional Affairs
Subject: Please Support HB99

Dear Community and Regional Affairs Alaska House,

I am writing as a concerned Alaskan and an ally to the LGBTQ2 community to urge members to support House Bill 99.

It can go without saying that discrimination has very real impacts on LGBTQ2 youth, adults, and elders within the state of Alaska. According to the 2020 Alaskan LGBTQ+ Health Needs Assessment Survey, 85% of Alaskan LGBTQ2 adults have reported experiencing a mental health disorder. According to the Trevor Project, more than half of all Alaskan LGBTQ2 youth reported experiencing depression, and almost three-fourths experiencing significant anxiety. Alaska Native LGBTQ2 youth, in particular, report more instances of harassment and discrimination due to being LGBTQ2, furthering already-aborrent mental health statistics and making them 2.5 times more likely to attempt suicide than non-Native LGBTQ2 peers.

Living in a state where there are no laws prohibiting discrimination against LGBTQ2 Alaskans—in fact, where protections that once existed for housing, finance, and more, were recently rolled back—undoubtedly contributes to the harmful mental health statistics being faced by LGBTQ2 Alaskans. This should not be okay by any standards, and Alaskans all over the state are asking for action and progress.

The 33rd Legislature has a unique opportunity to build a brighter and more equitable future where ALL Alaskans can thrive without the ever-present threat of discrimination. I urge you to take bold leadership and support passage of House Bill 99, to build a better Alaska for tomorrow.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,
Miss Emily Kloc

██████████ Anchorage, AK 99517-2223 ██████████