

Dear House Labor and Commerce Committee,

please pass HB 166.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Jill Wittenbrader

Dear House Labor and Commerce Committee,

PFAs in water will have an extreme impact on not only the environment and biodiversity of our great state of Alaska, but an impact on the brain development of our children and future leaders. Everything we value depends on water so ensuring that our water is healthy will improve our quality of life.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Miss Sonia Ahkivgak

Dear House Labor and Commerce Committee,

Please remove PFAS from Alaska's firefighting foams. Our residents, fish, wildlife and lands deserve to have toxic chemicals banned from use.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Ms. Jessica Winnestaffer

Dear House Labor and Commerce Committee,

Leading scientists and health officials have sounded the alarm on PFAS as being linked to adverse health outcomes, including liver and kidney damage, reproductive and developmental harm, immune system impairment, and certain cancers. PFAS are toxic at exceedingly low exposure levels, and health and science leaders have said that there are actually no safe levels of PFAS.

In addition, PFAS bioaccumulate and are some of the longest-lasting and hardest chemicals to remediate, giving them the nickname "forever chemicals." There is currently no safe way to dispose of these chemicals. Burning causes them to come down on soils and bodies of water through the rain and air, all landfills leach, and even the new supercritical water oxidation process has been shown to affect

only certain types of PFAS. Until PFAS can safely be destroyed, they need to be contained and their use banned.

These chemicals have been found in groundwater and public drinking water supplies in communities throughout Alaska due primarily to the dispersive use of PFAS in firefighting foams used by the military and at airports.

Safe and effective alternatives to the use of PFAS-based firefighting foams are readily available and are already in use at some major airports, military installations, and oil and gas facilities throughout the world.

With safer alternatives available, we do a disservice to ourselves, our communities, our children and future generations if we do not eliminate these known carcinogens from use.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Ms. Whitney White

Dear House Labor and Commerce Committee,

Please pass HB 166 out of committee.

Alaska needs to remove PFAS in fire fighting foam and use non-toxic alternatives in order to protect our water and the health of people and animals that use that water.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Ms. Leslie Pierce

Dear House Labor and Commerce Committee,

water is life

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Ms. Luci Beach

Dear House Labor and Commerce Committee,

PFAS are yet another tragic example of how our country allows dangerous substances to be dumped everywhere without a second thought. Then when the science finally catches up and we learn how dangerous the any given substance is, we finally have to start making rules and try to clean up the mess. Meanwhile, millions of people have been sickened as have wildlife and pets. I strongly support banning PFAS in fire fighting foam and everywhere else. Sadly, because our military is so wide spread, we have not only poisoned our own country with various forms of PFAS, but a large number of other countries. I wish our country would finally begin to take the precautionary principle seriously instead of creating one toxic disaster after another.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Dr. Karen Jacques

Dear House Labor and Commerce Committee,

I ask for your support of House Bill 166 to stop worsening the problem of PFAS "forever chemicals" in our drinking water supply as a result of its inclusion in firefighting foams, mainly used during practice at our airport. It is a real and pressing issue in my town, where groundwater contamination has been found and multiple residents are no longer able to use their wells and have detected PFAS in their bodies. These chemicals are linked to adverse health outcomes including certain cancers. They are toxic at exceedingly low levels. Safe and effective alternatives to PFAS-based firefighting foams exist. It's hard to convey the alarm, disappointment, and sense of betrayal that come from finding toxic chemicals in our otherwise pristine Alaska environment, especially because cleanup is difficult or impossible once these chemicals are released into the environment. They move freely through the water table and persist indefinitely, so it's imperative that we stop worsening the problem by stopping the release immediately.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Mr. Nathan Borson

Dear House Labor and Commerce Committee,

I am writing to ask that you please support for House Bill 166. Everyone needs clean water. PFAS are linked to adverse health outcomes, including liver and kidney damage, reproductive and developmental harm, immune system impairment, and certain cancers.

PFAS are toxic at exceedingly low exposure levels. These chemicals have been found in groundwater and public drinking water supplies in communities throughout Alaska due primarily to the dispersive use of PFAS in firefighting foams used by the military and airports.

Safe and effective alternatives to the use of PFAS-based firefighting foams are readily available and in use at major airports, military installations, and oil and gas facilities throughout the world.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Dr. Christine Wilcox

Dear House Labor and Commerce Committee,

PFAS is not called the "forever chemical" for nothing and having in infiltrate the environment where we get our foods is not acceptable.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Ms. Joan McBeen

Dear House Labor and Commerce Committee,

Please consider putting a permanent ban on PFAS from our drinking water. Alaska claims to be the most beautiful state, but forever chemicals aren't good for our health.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
ms Madeline Keegan

Dear House Labor and Commerce Committee,

As I hear of family and friends getting cancer - sometimes ending in death - every day in Alaska, protecting us from harmful chemicals is more critical than ever. Please support HB 166. Thank you!

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Princess Lucaj

Dear House Labor and Commerce Committee,

Please help keep our water safe to drink and bathe in, keeping PFAs and other forever chemicals out. This also benefits our farms, fish, wildlife and plants and trees!

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Mr and Mrs Thomas Nieland