

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 35

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Referred: House Special Committee on World Trade and State/Federal Relations, Judiciary

A RESOLUTION

**1 Relating to requesting the United States Congress to repeal the "Brady Handgun
2 Protection Act".**

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

4 WHEREAS the Constitution of the United States, in the Second Amendment,
5 guarantees protection for all citizens to keep and bear arms; and

6 WHEREAS art I, sec. 19, Constitution of the State of Alaska, asserts that the right to
7 keep and bear arms is an individual right; and

8 WHEREAS the "Brady Handgun Protection Act" has directly undermined a
9 fundamental protection each citizen has under the supreme law of the land; and

10 WHEREAS the "Brady Handgun Protection Act" has been used by those who would
11 outlaw the use of arms by law-abiding citizens through regulations that are intrusive and
12 through intimidation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation through the use of background
13 checks; and

14 WHEREAS the "Brady Handgun Protection Act" violates the provisions guaranteeing
15 the right to keep and bear arms in both the Alaska and the United States Constitutions, and
16 it violates the Tenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States;

1 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests that the
2 United States Congress uphold the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States
3 and repeal the "Brady Handgun Protection Act".

4 **COPIES** of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Bill Clinton, President of the
5 United States; the Honorable Al Gore, Jr., Vice-President of the United States and President
6 of the U.S. Senate; Louis Freeh, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; the
7 Honorable Trent Lott, Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable J. Dennis Hastert,
8 Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; to the Honorable Ron Paul, U.S. Representative
9 from Texas; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S.
10 Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska
11 delegation in Congress.