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MEMORANDUM

To: Senator Therriault
Chair, Senate State Affairs Committee

From: Representative Leslie McGuire 

Date: April 4, 2005

Re: Request for hearing, HB 127 – Peace Corps/U.S. Olympic Team-PFD

I respectfully request that HB 127, *"An Act relating to service in the peace corps and members of the United States Olympic Team as allowable absences from the state for purposes of eligibility for permanent fund dividends and to the period for filing an application for a permanent fund dividend; authorizing the Department of Revenue to issue administrative orders imposing sanctions for certain misrepresentations or other actions concerning eligibility for a permanent fund dividend and providing for administrative appeal of those orders; and providing for an effective date."* be scheduled for a hearing at your earliest convenience. Attached you will find the bill packet containing the most current version of the bill, sponsor statement, background information and letters of the support and a zero fiscal note.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me personally, or my staff, Shalon Szymanski at (907) 465-6841. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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2 CLERK'S OFFICE
3 **AMENDED AND APPROVED**
4 Date: 3-8-05

Submitted by: Assemblymember TESCHE
Prepared by: Department of Assembly
For reading: March 8, 2005

5 ANCHORAGE, ALASKA
6 AR NO. 2005-62(as amended)
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8 A RESOLUTION OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL ASSEMBLY SUPPORTING
9 LEGISLATION RELATING TO SERVICE IN THE PEACE CORPS AND TO SERVICE
10 AS A DIPLOMAT IN THE UNITED STATES FOREIGN SERVICE AS ALLOWABLE
11 ABSENCES FROM THE STATE FOR PURPOSES OF ELIGIBILITY FOR
12 PERMANENT FUND DIVIDENDS AND TO THE PERIOD FOR FILING AN
13 APPLICATION FOR A PERMANENT FUND DIVIDEND
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16 WHEREAS, for more than 40 years, Peace Corp Volunteers have committed
17 their time working overseas to promote world peace and friendship with other countries;
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20 WHEREAS, many young Alaskans volunteer their time promoting democracy in
21 other countries on behalf of the United States of America by serving in the Peace Corps;
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24 WHEREAS, this service warrants personal sacrifices of time, family, and life
25 safety to serve this Country; and
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27 WHEREAS, Peace Corp Volunteers are exposed to many risks including rapes,
28 muggings, assaults, and work in very difficult situations ~~are in harms way every day of~~
29 ~~their lives~~ with statistics indicating that through 1999, 271 persons have died; and
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31 WHEREAS, the State of Alaska has provided that every qualifying Alaskan - both
32 adults and children - receive a dividend from the Permanent Fund and, although Peace
33 Corp Volunteers and U.S. Foreign Service Diplomats meet these requirements, and
34 have an intent to return to the State, they continue to be denied an opportunity to receive
35 a dividend.
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37 NOW, THEREFORE, the Anchorage Assembly resolves:
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39 Section 1: That this body supports legislation relating to service in the Peace
40 Corp and service as a diplomat in the United States Foreign Service as allowable
41 absences from the State for the purpose of eligibility of permanent fund dividends.
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43 Section 2: That copies of the resolution shall be submitted to the Alaska State
44 Legislature and the Governor immediately upon passage and approval.
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46 PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Assembly this 8th day of March,
47 2005.
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Chair

52 ATTEST:

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55 Municipal Clerk

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE

INTERNATIONAL INFORMATION PROGRAMS

Volunteerism in the U.S.

30 January 2002

U.S. Peace Corps to Heed President Bush's Call for Volunteers

Plan to double number of volunteers in the next five years.

The U.S. Peace Corps issued a press release January 30 describing how it will expand its presence worldwide, double the number of volunteers over the next five years, and increase its presence in the Muslim world.

New missions are expected to be sent to Afghanistan, East Timor and Peru, according to the release.

"President Bush is to be commended for his strong emphasis on volunteerism in his State of the Union speech," the release said. The Peace Corps "believes that America's commitment to help others is a fundamental component of our democracy. We also recognize, as the President so clearly articulated, a yearning on the part of Americans to travel to distant countries, to share all that we know and discover the similarities among mankind."

Following is the text of the release:

Peace Corps
Washington, D.C.
January 30, 2002

IMPORTANCE OF PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEERS IS UNDERSCORED BY PRESIDENT; PRESIDENT BUSH RECOGNIZES AMERICANS' WILLINGNESS TO SERVE IN STATE OF THE UNION

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- President Bush is to be commended for his strong emphasis on volunteerism in his State of the Union speech last night and, in particular, his support of Peace Corps volunteers. For more than 40 years, Peace Corps volunteers have worked overseas at the grassroots level with the goal of promoting world peace and friendship by helping to train individuals in their host countries, educating them about Americans, and upon return to the United States, helping to educate Americans about the countries in which they served.

As the President relayed in his message and consistent with the safety and security of each volunteer, Peace Corps will expand its presence worldwide. There is a demand for Peace Corps volunteers throughout the world and an enormous interest on the part of Americans to serve overseas. We are in agreement with the President to double the number of Peace Corps volunteers over the next five years.

Peace Corps believes that America's commitment to help others is a fundamental component of our democracy. We also recognize, as the President so clearly articulated, a yearning on the part of Americans to travel to distant countries, to share all that we know and discover the similarities among mankind.

Peace Corps is also prepared to increase our presence in the Muslim world and other

countries. We share the President's urgency for the need to increase the world presence of Peace Corps volunteers, extending American peace and friendship, and bringing back to Americans a better understanding of other peoples.

Peace Corps has selected a highly skilled assessment team and is prepared to depart with short notice for Afghanistan. Depending on the safety and security situation, Peace Corps is eager to assist in the reconstruction of Afghanistan with the help of Crisis Corps volunteers. These volunteers will likely assist in efforts to address the basic human needs and make life better for Afghans with programs in health, education and construction.

We are excited about the possibility of a Peace Corps program in East Timor which, as the President stated, is the first new country in the 21st century.

Peace Corps has conducted an assessment in Peru and formed an internal Peru re-entry plan and is formally accepting the invitation from the President of Peru to send volunteers to that country.

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Volunteer application

**Peace
Corps**

www.peacecorps.gov
1-800-424-8580

Instructions

Thank you for your interest in serving as a Peace Corps Volunteer. Should you become a Peace Corps Volunteer, you will be undertaking an exciting and life-changing experience.

The Peace Corps needs Volunteers with a wide variety of skills. These skills can be acquired through education, professional work experience, volunteer experience, or hobbies. This application is designed to give you the best opportunity to tell us about all of your skills.

To be eligible for Peace Corps service, you must:

- be a citizen of the United States;
- be at least 18 years of age; and
- meet the medical, legal, and security requirements.

Assignments are filled based on requests from Peace Corps host countries for Volunteers with specific skills. Complete the questions as fully as possible to give yourself the best chance for consideration.

Married couples are eligible, but both spouses must qualify and serve as Volunteers. Each spouse should complete a separate application, but the applications should be submitted together. We are unable to place families with dependent children.

We recommend that you review the application before you begin. Note that:

- the pages can be removed for use in a typewriter;
- questions 19 (Employment History), 21 (Community/Volunteer Activities) and 23 (Practical Experience) can be duplicated if additional blocks are needed;
- answers for questions 24 (Cross-Cultural Experience) and 25 (Motivation Statement) can be prepared on a computer and attached; and
- separated pages should be reassembled in sequential order.

Included with this packet is a health status review form. After completing the form, place it in the medical information envelope and submit it with the application packet. To serve as a Peace Corps Volunteer, you must be medically and dentally screened and qualified. If you are nominated for Peace Corps service, you will receive additional forms and instructions for completing your medical and dental examinations.

To apply, send your completed application and health status review form, along with one copy of a current résumé and copies of transcripts from all schools attended since high school, in the envelope provided. We look forward to receiving your application. You will hear from your Regional Office shortly!

If you have questions, please contact the Peace Corps Regional Office serving your state (see back cover). TDD services are available.

IMPORTANT

The Peace Corps does not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex, handicap, political affiliation, or sexual orientation. Anyone who feels he or she has been discriminated against should contact the Peace Corps American Diversity Office, Washington, D.C. 20526.

For Office Use Only

EC _____ Lang 1 _____ Exp _____ Lang 2 _____ Exp _____
Ed level _____ College 1 _____ Degree 1 _____ Major 1 _____ Minor 1 _____
Grad date 1 _____ College 2 _____ Degree 2 _____ Major 2 _____ Grad date 2 _____
College 3 _____ Degree 3 _____ Major 3 _____ Grad Date 3 _____ Marital _____
Spouse full name _____ Spouse SSN _____ Dependents _____
Source _____ Recruiter _____ Completed by _____ Date _____

Peace Corps Volunteer Application

Type or print legibly in black ink

1. Name _____
First Middle (not initial) Last

2. Social Security Number
 _____ - _____ - _____

3. The earliest date you will be available for Peace Corps service

You will be considered for assignments beginning after this date. Please notify your recruiter if this date changes.

4. Date of Birth
 _____ / _____ / _____
Month Day Year

_____/_____/_____
Month Day Year

5. Gender Female Male

6. Have you previously If yes, give dates and location:

A. Submitted a Peace Corps application? Yes No _____

B. Participated in Peace Corps training? Yes No _____

C. Served as a Peace Corps Volunteer? Yes No _____

7. Are you applying to the Master's International Program? Yes No
 School _____

8. Peace Corps Volunteers must be U.S. Citizens

A. Are you a U.S. citizen? Yes No
 If yes, give place of birth.

B. Certificate of Naturalization number if you are a naturalized citizen, or expected date of naturalization:

9. Address

A. Current Mailing Address
 All information will be sent to this address until you notify the Peace Corps of a change of address

Number and Street _____ Apt. No. _____

City/State/Zip _____

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 Home Phone

() _____
 Work Phone

 E-mail address (if available)

B. Name and address of person through whom you can always be reached

First name _____ Last name _____ Relationship _____

Number and Street _____ Apt. No. _____

City/State/Zip _____

() _____
 Home Phone

() _____
 Work Phone

C. Do you expect to move in the next 12 months? Yes No If yes, when? _____/_____/_____
Month Day Year

Please notify your recruiter of any change in either your address or that of the person through whom you can be reached.

10. Intelligence Activities and Organizations

Intelligence activity is defined as the clandestine collection, dissemination, or analysis of information intended for use by any government in formulating or implementing political or military policy in regard to other countries, and/or covert activities of any kind designed to influence events in foreign countries.

Persons who have been employed by an intelligence agency or otherwise associated with intelligence activities are ineligible to serve as Volunteers in most circumstances. This exclusionary policy is one aspect of the broader long-standing policy of maintaining a complete and total separation between the Peace Corps and the intelligence activities of the U.S. Government. This separation is necessary to protect Volunteers' safety and to maintain the trust and confidence of the people in the countries we serve.

Disqualifying Employment:

Persons who have been employed by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) in any capacity are permanently ineligible for Peace Corps service. This exclusion applies to persons who served as interns, volunteers, or contractors for the CIA, regardless of the duties.

Persons who have served in other agencies or divisions of agencies that are substantially involved in intelligence activities are similarly ineligible regardless of the specific duties they may have performed. The National Security Agency, the Defense Intelligence Agency, and the Defense Mapping Agency are among the agencies covered by the policy. However, unlike the permanent disqualification that affects former CIA employees, former employees of these agencies may be eligible for Peace Corps service after ten years from their last date of employment with the agency.

Other Disqualifying Factors:

Persons whose work history involves a substantial connection with an intelligence agency or activity, through employment or otherwise, are ineligible for Peace Corps service for at least ten years from the date of their last connection with the activity.

If you have applied for employment with any intelligence agencies, you will be required to withdraw that application before entering Peace Corps service and to supply the Peace Corps with a copy of the letter to the agency requesting the withdrawal.

Individuals with close family relations who have engaged in intelligence activities may also be ineligible for Peace Corps service. If you have been associated, even through a close family member, with the CIA or other intelligence agencies, or otherwise with an intelligence activity, you or the relevant family member should consult with the General Counsel of the respective agency who will, in turn, consult with the Peace Corps General Counsel.

- A. Are you now or have you ever been associated with intelligence activities of any agency of the U.S. government or any other government? Yes No

If yes, provide details including dates and agency or division for which the work was performed and/or the nature of the association. If military, give your MOS number code or designator, and any service schools attended, on a separate sheet of paper and attach to this page.

- B. Are you currently applying for employment with any intelligence agency or other organization associated with intelligence activities? Yes No

11. Legal and Financial Information

Take special note that if you fail to disclose any prior or pending offenses or any unsatisfied financial obligations, the Peace Corps may delay your departure for training, revoke your invitation to serve, or disqualify you from Peace Corps service.

A. Prior or Pending Offenses:

If invited to serve in the Peace Corps, you must undergo, at a minimum, a National Agency Check (NAC) background investigation to help determine your legal eligibility for service. The necessary forms and fingerprint charts will be sent to you later.

- 1) Have you ever been convicted of, or pled guilty to, any offense in a civilian or military court or tribunal, or have you been subjected to any disciplinary action by a military court or tribunal? Yes No

Include misdemeanors, felonies, "open container" violations, and DUI/DWIs, but do not include traffic violations for which the entire penalty was a fine of \$200 or less, or non-felony offenses that occurred before your 18th birthday.

- 2) Are any charges (for any offense, including traffic offenses), civil suits, or judgments outstanding against you? Yes No

If you answered "yes" to either question, attach a separate sheet with your name and a complete explanation of each arrest, suit, judgment, disciplinary action, and pending charge, including the circumstances and nature of the charge or suit, its current status or disposition, and any sentence or fine imposed.

B. Financial Obligations:

Before you can serve in the Peace Corps, you must provide documentation establishing that you have made arrangements satisfactory to your lender(s) to defer, pay, or otherwise fulfill your financial obligations. Should you be recommended for an assignment, you will be required to submit this documentation to the Peace Corps Placement Unit. The Peace Corps may also obtain a credit report on you.

- 1) As of the date of this application, do you have any student loans? Yes No
If yes, please provide the following information (attach a separate sheet if necessary):

Type of Student Loan	Amount
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

- 2) As of the date of this application, do your other financial obligations (including, but not limited to, a mortgage, consumer debt, or credit card debt) total more than \$5,000? Yes No

If yes, please provide the following information (attach a separate sheet if necessary):

Type of Financial Obligation	Amount
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

- 3) Do you have any financial obligations—regardless of the amount, and including those listed above—that will not be paid in full, deferred, or otherwise fulfilled to your lender(s)' satisfaction prior to your departure for Peace Corps training? Yes No

If you have any questions about these legal and financial issues that your recruiter cannot answer, you may call the Peace Corps Legal Eligibility Office at (800) 424-8580, ext. 1845, for assistance.

14. Dependents

A. Are any persons partially or totally dependent upon you for support whether or not they are living with you? (If you answer no, skip to #15.) Yes No

B. List all children under age 18, whether or not they are dependent upon you for financial support.

Name of child	Address	Age	Dependent?
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
_____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

C. List all dependents not listed above for whom you have support obligations.

Name of dependent	Address	Relationship
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

D. Do you have adequate means to continue to meet your support obligations while serving without salary as a Volunteer? Yes No

If yes, please specify what arrangements would be made on a separate sheet of paper and attach to this page.

15. Job Preferences

List the work assignments in which you have an interest.
(Assignments are listed in the Peace Corps catalogue.)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

16. Education

Attach a copy of transcripts from all schools attended since high school (an official copy is not necessary). Beginning with high school, list all schools attended.

Name of School, City and State	Major	Minor	From Mo/Yr	To Mo/Yr	Type of degree or diploma	Date rec'd or expected
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

17. Language Skills

Some assignments require previous language study. Please indicate your number of years of experience in learning and speaking languages other than English within the past ten years.

Language	# Years Studied			Spoken Abroad/Spoken at Home Place	From Mo/Yr	To Mo/Yr
	High School	College	Other			
Spanish	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
French	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other:	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Other:	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

18. Licenses/Certificates

Are you or will you be a state-certified teacher?

Yes No

Subject and grade level _____

List other job-related licenses or certificates such as nursing, CPR, and skilled trades rankings including journeyman status, that you have or will have before entering the Peace Corps. *Include a photocopy of each current license/certificate.*

License or Certificate	Expiration Date	State or other Licensing Agency
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____

19. Employment History

Attach to this page one copy of a current résumé.

Please complete this section starting with your most recent experience. Go back at least ten years. Include any self-employment, home management, and full- or part-time paid employment. Photocopy this page if additional sheets are necessary.

A. Current Employer

City/State

From (Mo/Yr) to (Mo/Yr)

Your title

Hours per week

Name of supervisor

May we contact your
current employer? Yes No

B. Employer

City/State

From (Mo/Yr) to (Mo/Yr)

Your title

Hours per week

Name of supervisor

Phone number

Reason for leaving

C. Employer

City/State

From (Mo/Yr) to (Mo/Yr)

Your title

Hours per week

Name of supervisor

Phone number

Reason for leaving

D. Employer

City/State

From (Mo/Yr) to (Mo/Yr)

Your title

Hours per week

Name of supervisor

Phone number

Reason for leaving

E. Employer

City/State

From (Mo/Yr) to (Mo/Yr)

Your title

Hours per week

Name of supervisor

Phone number

Reason for leaving

F. Employer

City/State

From (Mo/Yr) to (Mo/Yr)

Your title

Hours per week

Name of supervisor

Phone number

Reason for leaving

20. Time Gaps

Give specific dates and activities for each period of time greater than three months not otherwise accounted for by employment, school, military, etc.

21. Community/Volunteer Activities

Peace Corps assignments require applicants with leadership ability, creativity, initiative, and a willingness to work with others. Please describe your community, volunteer, or organizational work that demonstrates the following skills or abilities:

- Initiating or carrying out activities;
- Planning activities involving others;
- Organizing others to participate in activities or to perform tasks;
- Motivating others to get and stay involved; or
- Leading, supervising, or managing others.

List your most recent activity first. Do not include experiences already listed in employment history. Photocopy this page if additional sheets are necessary.

A. Organization

 Position held _____
 From (Mo/Yr) _____ to (Mo/Yr) _____
 Hours per week _____
 Name of supervisor _____
 Phone number _____
 Duties/achievements _____

C. Organization

 Position held _____
 From (Mo/Yr) _____ to (Mo/Yr) _____
 Hours per week _____
 Name of supervisor _____
 Phone number _____
 Duties/achievements _____

B. Organization

 Position held _____
 From (Mo/Yr) _____ to (Mo/Yr) _____
 Hours per week _____
 Name of supervisor _____
 Phone number _____
 Duties/achievements _____

D. Organization

 Position held _____
 From (Mo/Yr) _____ to (Mo/Yr) _____
 Hours per week _____
 Name of supervisor _____
 Phone number _____
 Duties/achievements _____

22. Geographic Preference

Where a Volunteer is placed depends primarily upon how well the individual's experience meets the requirements of a specific assignment. We ask you to be flexible about your geographic area of assignment. However, if you do have preferences for particular regions of the world, indicate them below:

- No preference
 Africa
 North Africa/Middle East
 Eastern Europe/Central Asia
 Asia
 Pacific Islands
 Caribbean
 Latin America

Briefly explain any preferences: _____

Indicate countries in which you would not want to work and explain: _____

23. Practical Experience

Experience gained from hobbies, volunteer activities, and part-time or summer jobs may help you qualify for Peace Corps service. Listed below are a number of skill areas. In the blocks below, please describe significant experiences you have had in one or more of these areas. If you have described an experience elsewhere in the application, it is not necessary to repeat the information here.

Business

Accounting/Bookkeeping
Business Management
Business Training
Cooperatives/Credit Unions
Fund-raising
Marketing
Volunteering with or
working for non-profits

Education/Teaching

Adult Education
Business Education
English/ESL/TEFL Tutoring
Art/Drama
Library Experience

Agriculture and Environment

Beekeeping
Environmental Education/
Conservation
Farming (after age 13)
Fisheries
4-H/FFA/FHA
Forestry/Greenhouse/Nursery
Parks/Wildlife
Vegetable Gardening

Health and Social Services

Health Outreach
Home Economics
Social Work/Counseling
Youth Work/Coaching/Sports

Skilled Trades

Auto/Diesel Mechanics
Construction
Electricity
Masonry
Metalworking
Plumbing
Vocational Education
Woodworking

Other

Computer Science
Computer Literacy

Specific activity: From (Mo/Yr) to (Mo/Yr) Hours per week

Brief description of experience

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Specific activity: From (Mo/Yr) to (Mo/Yr) Hours per week

Brief description of experience

26. Certification

Please sign below and return this application to the Regional Office serving your state.
See back of application for addresses.

I CERTIFY that all of the statements made on all pages of this application, including attachments, are true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and are made in good faith. I understand that any misleading, inaccurate, or incomplete information may be cause for disqualification or termination. In addition, any intentionally false statement may be subject to criminal sanctions pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

Signature

Date

Request for Racial and Ethnic Data

This information is voluntary. Your response will not affect consideration of your application. By providing this information you will assist us in assuring that the Peace Corps is administered in a nondiscriminatory manner and reflects the diversity of the United States.

The information requested in this section is covered by the Privacy Act Notice on the following page.

Please check the box next to the classification that applies to you.

- Black, not of Hispanic origin (1)
- Hispanic (a person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race) (2)
- American Indian or Alaskan Native (a person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America) (3)
- Asian or Pacific Islander (a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands. This area includes, for example, China, India, Japan, Korea, the Philippines, Samoa, and Vietnam.) (4)
- White, not of Hispanic origin (having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East) (7)
- More than one of the above (comment if you wish) (5)

Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Notice

The Peace Corps, an agency of the Federal Government, is required by provisions of the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a) to advise you of the following information regarding this application:

- A. This application is authorized by provisions of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2501, et seq.), which authorize the collection of information regarding the suitability and qualifications of applicants.
- B. The principal purpose for which the information provided will be used is to evaluate your suitability and qualifications to serve in a Peace Corps full-time volunteer program.
- C. Information in this application may routinely be disclosed as follows:
 - 1. to host country agencies for the purpose of determining placement, obtaining visas, and other program-related matters;
 - 2. to police or judicial authorities where appropriate;
 - 3. to the Treasury and other Federal agencies for use in connection with support payments and Social Security and Federal Income tax matters;
 - 4. to the Office of Personnel Management, other Federal agencies, and others, if necessary, for the purpose of a background suitability investigation;
 - 5. to other Federal agencies having an interest in employment of the applicant or Volunteer, provided that except for information required for authorized security clearances, information provided will be limited to dates of service and a standard description of service;
 - 6. to a court or other appropriate tribunal upon subpoena or other request;
 - 7. to a member of Congress upon request indicating that such member has been requested by an individual about whom the record is maintained to obtain such information;
 - 8. a source for management information or preparation for statistical reports (without personal information);
 - 9. to the National Archives and Records Administration, GSA, in authorized management inspections;
 - 10. when required under provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a);
 - 11. to the Bureau of the Census for the purposes of planning or carrying out a census survey or related activity pursuant to the provisions of Title 13, U.S. Code;
 - 12. to Peace Corps personnel who have a need for the information in the performance of their duties;
 - 13. to the Volunteer's family members in emergency situations; and
 - 14. in the case of United Nations Volunteers, to appropriate UN officials.
- D. The completion of this application is voluntary, however, failure to provide information requested may result in the Peace Corps' inability to assess the qualifications of an applicant and result in non-selection for the volunteer program for which that applicant has applied.
- E. The Peace Corps estimates that it will take 8 hours to complete this form. Send comments on this form to Peace Corps, Paperwork Reduction Project, Washington, DC 20526 OMB control number 0420-0005. The Peace Corps may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Continuous use form.

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March 3, 2005

Honorable Lesil McGuire
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HB 127
Peace Corps PFD Exemption

Dear Lesil,

During a conversation with James Elkins, who I have known for many years, regarding HB127, we discussed the severe risks and hazards to which peace corps volunteers are exposed, including the murders, rapes, muggings and assaults of volunteers.

After I mentioned the existence of peace corps data recording these crimes perpetrated against volunteers Jim asked for and I have forwarded to him such data.

I know you have been a strong advocate of correcting this unreasonable PFD disqualification of peace corps volunteers while representing the US under hazardous situations in third world countries and am forwarding this data to you also.

After reviewing the lists of deaths while serving (271 to 1999) and in addition the hundreds of other serious crimes perpetrated against volunteers, I think you must agree this data confirms this work representing the U.S. in developing countries is no walk in the park- they are in harms way 24/7.

During my time as a peace corps volunteer in Africa, of the 43 volunteers in my group I was about the only one who was not either mugged, robbed, assaulted, shot-at, or car-jacked--several more than once.

I also enclose my written testimony submitted in support of the earlier version of HB 127 (HB 347) which passed in the House but was not voted on in the Senate.

I would appreciate this material be placed before the appropriate committees and HB127 be passed.

Your support is appreciated.


Russell W. Walker

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<u>Ackerman</u>	William	M	11/27/68	23	Colombia
<u>Adkins</u>	Darryl A	M	12/12/81	25	Jamaica
<u>Aldrich</u>	Elizabeth	F	12/04/72	60	Kenya
<u>Amador</u>	Carlos	M	03/04/01	27	El Salvador
<u>Ashton</u>	Thomas	M	08/01/66	22	Iran
<u>Baciewicz</u>	Marian	F	06/29/80	24	Ghana
<u>Bahler</u>	Bethanne	F	05/11/74		Jamaica
<u>Baker</u>	Gregory	M	08/27/73	23	Dominican Republic
<u>Banner</u>	Alan C	M	04/16/72	25	Samoa
<u>Barakatt</u>	Thomas J	M	05/08/94	26	Samoa
<u>Barnum</u>	Florence	F	04/17/66	42	Togo
<u>Beckner</u>	John	M	11/23/68	23	Malaysia
<u>Bensen</u>	Robert H	M	11/10/78	32	Micronesia
<u>Bhansali</u>	Justin	M	01/07/00	25	Guinea
<u>Blake</u>	Denise	F	05/31/74	24	Afghanistan
<u>Blum</u>	John	M	11/30/67	23	India
<u>Bock</u>	Robert	M	08/12/98	32	Philippines
<u>Bogensneider</u>	David R	M	10/20/70	23	Kenya
<u>Bond</u>	Paul	M	04/27/66	24	Ecuador
<u>Bosch</u>	Judith	F	04/29/70	24	Iran
<u>Bowers</u>	Elizabeth	F	03/06/02	22	Zambia
<u>Boyd</u>	Nancy	F	03/02/63		Philippines
<u>Bradfield</u>	George	M	02/12/76	65	Chile
<u>Bryan</u>	Jerry Dean	M	03/31/78	25	Brazil
<u>Butler</u>	Steven L	M	12/21/88	36	Tunisia
<u>Carmona</u>	Margaret	F	04/09/81	55	Philippines
<u>Carpenter</u>	ThomasL	M	02/07/76	24	Sierra Leone
<u>Cecchini</u>	Ronald	M	08/15/84	40	Thailand
<u>Chaljub</u>	Paul	M	09/13/81	22	Chile
<u>Chaled</u>	William E	M	09/23/72	25	Iran
<u>Chezam</u>	Jacqueline	F	04/08/75	23	Costa Rica
<u>Christie</u>	Barbara	F	09/20/75	24	Benin
<u>Clutterbuck</u>	Marie	F	05/31/70	22	Peru
<u>Cooper</u>	Theodore	M	03/04/81	24	Philippines
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<u>Corley</u>	Judith	F	12/24/65		Cameroon
<u>Courtway</u>	Rene L	M	06/17/73	25	Benin
<u>Coutu</u>	Nancy	F	04/09/96	29	Madagascar
<u>Crawford</u>	Brenda	F	12/16/88	27	Swaziland
<u>Cronin</u>	Thomas M	M	12/25/75	22	Philippines
<u>Cross</u>	June	F	10/09/76	53	Liberia
<u>Crotty</u>	Kathryn	F	08/2	83 24	Mali
<u>Crozier</u>	David	M	04/22/62		Colombia
<u>Cyr</u>	Philip	M	03/19/81	28	Nepal
<u>Darling</u>	Joy	F	01/03/65	22	Bolivia
<u>Davey</u>	Susan	F	01/13/70	23	Liberia
<u>Davidson</u>	John	M	12/21/72	71	Ecuador
<u>Davis</u>	Robert	M	08/15/76	25	Burkina Faso
<u>Detjen</u>	Frederick	M	10/04/63		Colombia
<u>Didlego</u>	William	M	02/07/00	26	Cote D'Ivoire
<u>Drabiski</u>	Michelle	F	03/30/89	23	Paraguay
<u>Driscoll</u>	James	M	12/05/65	20	Togo
<u>Dunn</u>	Lowell	M	08/23/66	25	Thailand
<u>Edens</u>	Brian	M	08/16/81	26	Senegal
<u>Edwards</u>	David J	M	02/01/91	33	Namibia
<u>Estrand</u>	Mark T	M	12/24/83	27	Niger
<u>Fahey</u>	Diane M	F	05/30/75	22	Liberia
<u>Farrar</u>	Henry	M	12/13/69	23	Afghanistan
<u>Fillmore</u>	Dianna P	F	12/19/80	25	Gabon
<u>Fink</u>	Linda	F	01/16/73	22	Zaire
<u>Flynn</u>	Gerald F	M	04/27/66	26	Ecuador
<u>Galgas</u>	Eugene	M	12/25/78	34	Ghana
<u>Gamber</u>	H. Benjamin	M	12/26/75	25	Kenya
<u>Gardner</u>	Deborah	F	10/14/76	23	Tonga
<u>Gliessman</u>	Lester	M	02/02/78	55	Kenya
<u>Glotfelty</u>	Scott A	M	03/23/88	27	Togo
<u>Gould</u>	Bruce	M	02/13/67	25	Philippines
<u>Greenwald</u>	Daniel	M	07/06/81	32	Philippines
<u>Gross</u>	Gail	F	05/31/70	23	Peru
<u>Haggard</u>	Marshal C	M	10/03/81	22	Nepal
<u>Hahn</u>	Kalman	M	02/21/71	23	Ghana
<u>Hamer</u>	Stephen W	M	10/23/75	25	Malaysia
<u>Harding</u>	Susan	F	03/09/92	24	Cote D'Ivoire
<u>Hassett</u>	Thomas	M	07/12/66	22	Nepal
<u>Hellyer</u>	William	M	12/26/68	26	India
<u>Henrietta</u>	James	M	12/20/71	24	Liberia
<u>Hess</u>	Diana L	F	08/27/83	23	Kenya
<u>Hill</u>	Helene	F	01/10/99	57	Namibia
<u>Hoffman</u>	James E	M	02/29/76	25	Liberia
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<u>Hushaw</u>	Harry	M	03/10/81 31	Thailand
<u>Hyatt</u>	Janis	F	08/25/81 24	Swaziland
<u>Jacoby</u>	Curtis	M	08/25/74 23	Dominican Republic
<u>Jaffe</u>	Larissa	F	10/07/01 63	Zimbabwe
<u>Jandorf</u>	Daniel S.	M	06/07/70 23	Malaysia
<u>Johnson</u>	Wilburn	M	08/26/73 25	Senegal
<u>Johnson</u>	Paul E	M	07/15/76 24	Guatemala
<u>Johnson</u>	Mary K	F	05/01/93 70	China
<u>Jonas</u>	Robert K	M	09/06/78 54	Colombia
<u>Kallison</u>	Jole	F	03/13/98 23	Namibia
<u>Karrer</u>	Andrew E	M	07/88 24	Micronesia
<u>Kelly</u>	Richard	M	04/30/78 24	Belize
<u>Kenney</u>	Ann	F	05/29/71 23	Micronesia
<u>Kinsey</u>	Beverly	F	03/27/66 23	Tanzania
<u>Kirking</u>	Francis	U	06/23/65	Iran
<u>Kossowska</u>	Danuta	F	04/04/88 73	Thailand
<u>Kotzian</u>	Michall	M	03/17/69 26	Colombia
<u>Kowalczyk</u>	Stanley	M	04/16/65	Nigeria
<u>Krok</u>	Florence K	F	12/09/77 26	Kenya
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<u>Kruger</u>	Raymond	M	07/03/85 27	Morocco
<u>Kuhn</u>	Ronald	M	01/09/71 22	Sierra Leone
<u>Laffey</u>	Thomas	M	12/21/68 25	Malawi
<u>Lane</u>	Lols	F	08/26/79 33	The Gambia
<u>Larson</u>	Curtis	M	03/22/66	Ecuador
<u>Larson</u>	David	M	01/08/67	Dominican Republic
<u>Lawyer</u>	Terry	F	02/19/71 24	Togo
<u>Leahy</u>	Richard	M	08/10/71 25	Ecuador
<u>Lee</u>	Jang	M	08/17/01 31	Uzbekistan
<u>Lesuer</u>	Thomas C.	M	09/30/80 27	Lesotho
<u>Leveille</u>	Kevin	M	02/05/95 26	Cote D'Ivoire
<u>Lilia</u>	Robert	M	12/11/72 23	Nepal
<u>Livingston</u>	Elizabeth	F	03/28/97 48	Costa Rica
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<u>Luecke</u>	Christopher E	M	04/26/78 22	Liberia
<u>MacGillivray</u>	Kathryn	F	10/17/98 25	Malawi
<u>Mack</u>	Jeremiah	M	05/12/97 26	Niger
<u>Maggard</u>	Phillip	M	03/02/63 21	Phillippines
<u>Malone</u>	Stephen	M	07/07/76 27	Leeward Islands
<u>Manke</u>	Linda	F	01/29/71 27	Kenya
<u>Marshall</u>	John	M	09/02/81 25	Mali
<u>Masover</u>	Lynne	F	05/19/80 34	Fiji
<u>Mathis</u>	William J	M	10/23/84 28	Zaire

<u>Matthews</u>	Timothy	M	01/23/79	23	Sierra Leone
<u>McCarthy</u>	David	M	04/06/70	22	Micronesia
<u>McClellan</u>	Bridgette	F	12/22/81	25	The Gambia
<u>McFate</u>	Robert	M	09/17/78	63	Chile
<u>McKay</u>	Marilyn	F	01/13/70	23	Liberia
<u>McKeen</u>	Bruce	M	09/04/64	23	Nepal
<u>Mcmanus</u>	Rodger	M	12/09/63	24	Philippines
<u>Merrill</u>	Martha	F	01/13/70	23	Liberia
<u>Messer</u>	Steven	M	01/09/73	24	Costa Rica
<u>Morken</u>	Kimberly	F	04/30/83	26	Botswana
<u>Morton</u>	Louis	M	09/17/72	23	Uganda
<u>Mulholland</u>	David	M	06/09/62		Philippines
<u>Mulvihill</u>	Richard	M	08/26/76	23	Cameroon
<u>Myers</u>	Cynthia	F	11/01/64	23	India
<u>Nelson</u>	Peter	M	09/01/67	25	Iran
<u>Nettesheim</u>	Chad	M	08/06/97	25	Dominican Republic
<u>Nitahara</u>	Diane	F	12/27/66	24	Nigeria
<u>Nonnemacker</u>	Joseph	M	12/24/70	65	Micronesia
<u>Nordmann</u>	William	M	07/31/92	24	Nepal
<u>O'Brien</u>	Shaun T.	M	01/22/84	29	Philippines
<u>Obrien</u>	John	M	11/17/68	22	Fiji
<u>Ohl</u>	Daniel	M	04/14/90	29	Kenya
<u>Olson</u>	William	M	04/13/66	25	Ethiopia
<u>O'Reilly</u>	Patrick	M	01/26/69	25	El Salvador
<u>Orton</u>	Jeffery	M	08/31/95	24	Niger
<u>Osborne</u>	Dorothy	F	08/11/89	68	Dominican Republic
<u>Ota</u>	Dennis	M	02/02/72	21	Togo
<u>Overholtzer</u>	Paul	M	10/21/70	68	Mauritius
<u>Owens</u>	Robert	M	11/19/78	23	Morocco
<u>Parker</u>	Robert	M	07/22/74		Dominican Republic
<u>Parrott</u>	John	M	11/02/65	22	Kenya
<u>Pasmore</u>	Judith	F	06/22/00	61	Lesotho
<u>Pastuszak</u>	Robert	M	02/08/75	32	Cote D'Ivoire
<u>Pearson</u>	Marcia	F	01/31/67	22	Turkey
<u>Pearson</u>	Dennis	M	01/31/67	25	Turkey
<u>Periard</u>	Michael	M	12/18/71	22	Liberia
<u>Perkins</u>	Cecil A	M	09/06/75	50	Windward Islands
<u>Pfaffenberger</u>	Layne	F	11/22/93	24	Guatemala
<u>Pfost</u>	Dennis D	M	03/06/74	25	Peru
<u>Phillips</u>	Karen	F	12/17/98	37	Gabon
<u>Pillsbury</u>	Wyatt	M	07/11/01	23	Tanzania
<u>Pinney</u>	Charles H	M	05/21/76	26	Malaysia
<u>Pollock</u>	Craig	M	01/13/72	24	Ecuador
<u>Presnal</u>	Steven	M	05/25/82	24	Ecuador

<u>Prior</u>	Roy	M	12/15/75	57	Honduras
<u>Provinci</u>	Roseanne	F	07/09/76	29	Honduras
<u>Quiton</u>	Juanita	F	12/16/88	39	Swaziland
<u>Radley</u>	Lawrence	M	04/22/62		Colombia
<u>Ragno</u>	Marsha	F	08/24/71	23	Liberia
<u>Raimondo</u>	Lucille Ann Rose	F	05/22/95	22	Guatemala
<u>Raymaker</u>	Mark	M	03/03/68		Tanzania
<u>Redmann</u>	James	M	07/26/66		Windward Islands
<u>Reiser</u>	William	M	02/10/67		Ghana
<u>Ritger</u>	Robert	M	02/26/72	23	Ecuador
<u>Roberts</u>	Valerie	F	12/18/71	25	Liberia
<u>Robillard</u>	Ge. au	M	12/18/74	43	Zaire
<u>Robinson</u>	Linda	F	09/11/73	24	Niger
<u>Rodgers</u>	Susan	F	06/28/70	23	Kenya
<u>Rodriguez</u>	Annika	F	10/17/75	22	Honduras
<u>Rogers</u>	Varina	F	04/21/92	23	Malawi
<u>Rolfs</u>	Jeremy	M	03/31/97	27	South Africa
<u>Rose</u>	Jennifer	F	12/30/00	24	Malawi
<u>Ross</u>	Troy M	M	04/27/66	25	Peru
<u>Rosser</u>	Denise	F	06/01/74	24	Cote D'Ivoire
<u>Rubin</u>	David	M	11/03/80	23	Micronesia
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<u>Russomanno</u>	Grace M	F	05/30/75	26	Liberia
<u>Ryal</u>	James	M	09/01/72	27	Ethiopia
<u>Sanftleben</u>	Lesla	F	10/30/84	29	Lesotho
<u>Schaffer</u>	William	M	11/04/84	28	Nepal
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<u>Schwartz</u>	Frederick A.	M	01/11/70	23	Swaziland
<u>Sheriff</u>	Joseph G	M	05/13/83	62	Micronesia
<u>Sherman</u>	Mathew	M	09/08/88	22	Honduras
<u>Shine</u>	Henry	M	11/30/66	63	Nigeria
<u>Shuler</u>	Henry	M	04/03/69	64	India
<u>Simmons</u>	Gareth	M	06/25/65	22	Dominican Republic
<u>Smith</u>	Sandra	F	08/19/69	23	Bolivia
<u>Smith</u>	Audrey	F	08/27/85	39	Philippines
<u>Spratt</u>	Paul	M	10/30/72	34	Zaire
<u>Stafford</u>	Jeannette	F	07/23/69	72	Philippines
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<u>Streb</u>	Mark A.	M	02/22/84	23	Niger
<u>Strong</u>	Terry J	F	11/18/83	41	Lesotho
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<u>Swenson</u>	Dale	U	12/06/62		Brazil

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<u>Vonfoerster</u>	Johannes	M	11/09/65 25	Nigeria
<u>Waid</u>	Karren	F	07/12/93 23	Togo
<u>Waldinger</u>	Natalie	F	01/07/01 24	Tanzania
<u>Warren</u>	Robert D	M	05/12/78 24	Honduras
<u>Weber</u>	Donald L	M	06/18/95 69	Hungary
<u>Weeks</u>	James O.	M	05/06/72 27	Mauritius
<u>Weland</u>	Robert	M	10/23/66 22	Nepal
<u>West</u>	William L	M	12/08/72 36	Kenya
<u>White</u>	Deborah G	F	12/06/78 26	Togo
<u>Whitfield</u>	Robert	M	10/14/71 22	Ghana
<u>Wilcox</u>	Gary D	M	02/27/77 24	Fiji
<u>Wilis</u>	John	M	02/07/70 67	Jamaica
<u>Wiseman</u>	Gloey	F	10/13/91 46	Bolivia
<u>Wolf</u>	Louise	F	10/22/76 28	Morocco
<u>Wolfe</u>	Peter	M	10/28/84 27	Guatemala
<u>Wood</u>	Michael D.	M	08/23/83 23	Guatemala
<u>Wood</u>	James	M	12/24/83 23	Togo
<u>Woodward</u>	Mitchell	M	07/01/80 24	Ecuador
<u>Wright</u>	John	M	03/10/85 26	Ecuador
<u>Zbitnoff</u>	Alexei	M	07/02/68 23	El Salvador
<u>Zech</u>	Robert	M	06/25/65 24	Dominican Republic
<u>Zimmerman</u>	Polly	F	10/22/76 23	Morocco
<u>Zink</u>	Virginia	F	11/27/68 26	Nigeria

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Year	All	Agg.	Simple	Death threats	Sex (rape)
1991	126	41	42	0	43 (13)
1992	140	43	45	0	52 (9)
1993	168	57	48	1	62 (10)
1994	166	45	78	0	45 (6)
1995	164	62	62	3	37 (9)
1996	208	78	72	1	57 (13)
1997	251	88	88	2	73 (20)
1998	264	87	105	2	70 (19)
1999	326	102	131	4	89 (11)
2000	278	88	99	1	90 (20)
2001	319	93	108	5	113 (16)
2002	283	87	100	2	94 (13)
2003*	132	47	48	4	32 (3)
1991-2002 percentage increase	125	112	139		119 (0)

The number of Peace Corps volunteers increased 29.3% between 1991 and 2002 while the number of reported assault cases increased 125% during the same period.

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Africa total	1,894

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Cameroon	122
Cape Verde	48
Gabon	60
Ghana	107
Guinea	92
Kenya	99
Lesotho	97
Madagascar	25
Malawi	97
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Dear Senate State Affairs Committee:

My wife Irene and I read with great interest the article in the 13 February 2005 edition of the *Anchorage Daily News* regarding Rep. Lesil McGuire's efforts to restore PFD eligibility for Peace Corps Volunteers. Our daughter Amanda, 21, began her service with the Peace Corps in Mozambique last fall, departing Anchorage on 1 Oct 04. Amanda is a remarkable young woman. She graduated in the upper ranks of her Bartlett High School Class of 2000, attended the University of Alaska Anchorage for two years as an Alaska Scholar and was an active member of the UAA student government organization. Finally, she graduated Magna Cum Laude from New York University in May of 2004 and is now teaching eight graders in Tete, Mozambique. We speak with her regularly (surface mail is extremely slow and can be unreliable) and marvel at her incredibly positive outlook and all that she has accomplished and experienced in the few months since she left home. You can be certain that not only is she a wonderful ambassador for our nations, she also epitomizes the beauty and warmth that is Alaska.

I was quite taken with one quote in the newspaper about Rep. McGuire in particular because it so closely mirrored something I said to my daughter when we said our good-byes at the airport some 4-5 months ago and have repeated to her several times since then. The newspaper quote said:

"I can't think of a more important statement to make. We make it for the military,' she said, explaining that soldiers and Peace Corps volunteers are working to protect and promote the same goal: democracy."

I have told my daughter several times how proud I am of her and what she is doing. I also told her that I viewed what she was doing as every bit as important and patriotic as my own service in the Army. In fact, she is putting up with living conditions, pay, and an overall environment that makes my first tour of duty as a 2nd Lieutenant in West Germany (1978-1981) seem quite luxurious in comparison. My wife and I were not aware that Peace Corp Volunteers were not currently eligible for the PFD until reading the newspaper article, and we are both quite dismayed by the notion. Every one of those wonderful folks from Alaska who serve with the Peace Corps deserve the same recognition afforded to members of our armed services

from Alaska who serve Outside and remain eligible for the PFD. The Peace Corps is part of the Executive Branch of our government, like the armed services, and are every bit as important to the slow but steady advancement of freedom, human dignity, and democracy world-wide as is our fine military. Amanda told me how proud she felt when the United States Ambassador to Mozambique swore them all in as Peace Corps Volunteers following completion of their training phase. She raised her right hand and took an oath not at all different from the one I took on 8 June 1977 when I entered the Army and what countless young men and women do everyday entering the armed forces.

We urge you both to support Rep. McGuire's initiative to reinstate PFD eligibility to Peace Corps Volunteers. Sen. Guess, if the past is any indicator, the harder road might once again be the State Senate, so please let us know what we can do to help.

Thanks to you both for your fine service to our little region of Anchorage, and a special thanks to Rep. McGuire for your work on this matter. Good luck to you all.

Sincerely,

Kevin and Irene Gardner
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Dear Representative McGuire,

I support your efforts to add Peace Corps Volunteers to the PFD eligibility list. During his last term, the president began promoting that every American should volunteer two years of service, either at home or abroad.

While this is a nice idea, the reality of the situation is that most Americans can't afford to take two years off from their job. Allowing Peace Corps Volunteers to receive the PFD will show Alaska's commitment to sharing our country's blessings with the rest of the world.

I was a Peace Corps Volunteer in Central America from 1996-1998. Although I was not an Alaska resident at the time, a fellow volunteer was, he received the PFD during his service, and it literally was the reason he was able to leave his job and join the Peace Corps. As I am sure you know, Peace Corps service is volunteer commitment. Volunteers are given living expenses, at about the level of a teacher in the community, in our case about \$150 month. Although the Peace Corps is open to everyone who qualifies, one of the major barriers to making a two year commitment is money, more specifically, debt.

Before embarking on a tour of duty, the volunteer must either sell, pay off or defer any student/education loan, mortgage, car payment or credit card debt. Student loan companies allow deferral of payment during Peace Corps service. If they didn't, most of the Volunteers currently serving would not have been able to make a two-year commitment without an income.

My point is, unless potential Volunteers have parents or supporters willing to pay their bills while they are gone, volunteer service becomes unavailable to regular people who have even minor amounts of debt. In that sense, even volunteer work becomes available only to people of higher socioeconomic background. (Most of my fellow volunteers had parents who took care of their debts. I, and others like me, sold everything I owned.) Eligibility for the Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend could easily make the difference between a college age person with a small amount of debt being able to join the Peace Corps versus "getting a real job."

In our society, when a person enters the work force just out of college, they enter the consumer role as well. Once they buy a car, set up an apartment, get nice clothes to go to work in, etc, it takes a frugal person 5-7 years to pay all that off. And in the mean time, they will get married and buy a house, and once that happens, Peace Corps will be just something they had always wished they could have done, but never had enough money.

The Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend can really make a difference between the dream of overseas volunteer service and the reality of reaching it.

Thank you for your time.
Christina Logan
RPCV Honduras '96-'98

State of Alaska
Finance Committee
Re: HB 127
March 2, 2005

Dear Members of the House Finance Committee:

I am writing to give my support for passing HB 127, specifically to support adding currently serving Peace Corps Volunteers to the Permanent Fund Dividend eligibility list. During his last term, President Bush began promoting that every American should volunteer the equivalent of two years of service, either at home or abroad. Most Americans would willingly donate their time for this service, however the reality of the situation is that most Americans cannot afford to take two years off from their job. In my opinion, supporting Peace Corps Volunteers is the very best way to promote the spread of democracy and peace in other nations. Allowing Peace Corps Volunteers to receive the PFD will show Alaska's commitment to sharing our country's blessings with the rest of the world.

I was a Peace Corps Volunteer in Central America from 1996-1998. As I am sure you know, Peace Corps service is volunteer commitment. Volunteers are given living expenses, at about the level of a teacher in the community, in our case about \$150 month. Although the Peace Corps is open to everyone who qualifies, one of the major barriers to making a two year commitment is money, more specifically, debt. Before embarking on a tour of duty, the volunteer must either sell, pay off or defer any student/education loan, mortgage, car payment or credit card debt. Student loan companies allow deferral of payment during Peace Corps service. If they did not, most of the typical, just out of college Volunteers currently serving, would not have been able to make a two-year commitment without an income. Unless potential Volunteers have parents or supporters willing to pay their bills while they are gone, volunteer service becomes unavailable to regular people who have even minor amounts of debt. In that sense, even volunteer work becomes available only to people of higher socioeconomic background. Eligibility for the Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend could easily make the difference between a college age person with a small amount of debt being able to join the Peace Corps versus "getting a real job."

For example, the PFD would guarantee a potential Volunteer the ability to make a minimum monthly payment on an outstanding debt and allow them to enter Volunteer service. In our society, when a person enters the work force just out of college, they enter the consumer role as well. Once the person buys a car, sets up an apartment, gets nice clothes to go to work in, etc, it takes a frugal person 5-7 years to get back to the zero baseline financially. And in the mean time, they will get married and buy a house, and once that happens, Peace Corps will be just something they had always wished they could have done, but never had enough money. The Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend can really make a difference between the dream of overseas volunteer service and the reality of reaching it.

Thank you for your time.
Christina Logan, Returned Peace Corps Volunteer
Honduras 1996-1998

House of Representatives
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182
Wednesday, February 23, 2005

RE: HB127

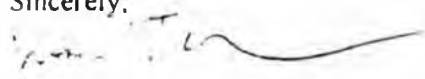
Dear Honorable McGuire and House members

I am writing in support of the proposed legislation by Representative McGuire, changing the Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend eligibility to include Alaska Residents Serving as Volunteers in the Federal Peace Corps program or as a diplomat in the United States Foreign Service.

These are honorable services to our country, government and state. As our country works for a democratic and peaceful world, these individuals are on the front line. Denying eligibility for our dividend to these Alaskans is not only a disservice to the brave individuals who risk everything in the name of peace and democracy, but contrary to President George W. Bush's call for ALL Americans to provide volunteer service. Peace Corps volunteers are just that, volunteers. They do not travel to under developed regions for personal or financial gain, but to serve humanities children. Isn't continued denial of the PFD to these Alaskans, not only a disservice to this great nation, but to our volunteers and diplomats serving in our country's name?

I encourage all members to support our Volunteers and diplomats by supporting this bill

Sincerely,



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March 28, 2005

Dear Co-Chairs Chenault and Meyer
and House Finance Committee Members:

Re: Supporting HB 127, restoring to Alaskans their right to continue receiving their Permanent Fund Dividends while away serving in the United States Peace Corps

I ask legislators to adopt HB 127, thus reinstating the provision of Alaska Statutes that used to (until about 1998) list U.S. Peace Corps service as an allowable absence for Alaskans to continue to receive their PFDs. Somehow, that provision was stripped from the statute (while I was away with the Peace Corps in Nepal) at the same time as "the Hilary Lindh provision" was deleted.

Just as Alaskans who serve their country in the National Guard or Army Reserve do continue to receive their PFDs while out of state for training and overseas after mobilization, so should Alaskans who are away serving their country as U.S. Peace Corps volunteers. Originally, that was the way it was. It is taking far too long to correct the mistake that prior legislature made, in deleting Peace Corps service as allowable absence.

I've been an Alaskan for the past quarter century. I was 64 when I left my house in Juneau, my husky dog, and my car in my adult daughter's safekeeping until my return, and boarded a plane out of San Francisco along with thirty-some other Peace Corps trainees, headed for Nepal, in February 1997. After three months of training and a language exam, we took an oath to serve our country, and departed for our new assignments, all over Nepal. I was a horticulture extensionist assigned to His Majesty's Department of Agriculture Development, initially posted to south-western Nepal.

Like our troops deployed overseas, Peace Corps volunteers also experience dangers. Where I was, there were diseases for which no immunization exists (e.g., dengue fever), there were four kinds of deadly poisonous snakes and no life-saving antivenin within hours of our post. By my 13th month, the Maoist insurgency had grown so violent, with a USAID jeep (with its embassy license plates) being blown up on the road and its occupants shot, in the district just next to mine, that PC/Nepal evacuated me and its other PCVs out of western Nepal and found new, safer posts for us in eastern Nepal. In my training group, about half of the original members went home by the end of their first year, most of them with medical discharges. I was determined to stay, and served on the Safety Committee during my second year. (Recently, Peace Corps has "suspended" its operations in Nepal because of the rising civil unrest, after being there since 1962.) But most PCVs are so highly motivated toward their work, their village and the people they serve, that it is hard to pull them away from their village even when there is no other safe alternative and the evacuation order comes. One great blessing we have, compared to Alaskans who serve in the military, is that we are never called upon to shoot or kill anyone. But otherwise, we serve our country just as much as do Alaskans in the military. Why, then, have PFDs become disallowed for Alaskans away in the Peace Corps? You can remedy this! Such a remedy is several years overdue.

While I was in Peace Corps I continued to vote (absentee) in Alaskan elections, pay the mortgage on my house and the property taxes on it, even pay the utility bills, maintain my membership in the Alaska Bar Association, and generally behave as the Alaskan I still was. My first year away, I did receive my PFD, and having that money allowed me to buy round trip air fare to come home after my first year for a brief family reunion. (Peace Corps does not pay for its volunteers to return home until their two years are up or their service is otherwise ended, e.g., by a medical discharge or resignation - unless a close family member is at death's door or having a funeral.)

But then my second year and the year I returned home, NO PFD, because that legislature had changed the law. What a slap in the face it was! It was equivalent to having the State tell me I was no longer an Alaskan, regardless of my intentions to return to my home and the facts I could have brought to bear to prove that. It was totally inconsistent with the legal concept of "domicile" that underlies the PFD statute - one's domicile being the state where one resides and when one is away, the state to which one always intends to return. (My daughter's sizing up of that legislative decision is hardly fit to print.)

Need should not be a criterion for getting one's PFD - it isn't for any other Alaskans. But if anyone ever needed their PFDs, it is Peace Corps volunteers. I was not unique; many PCVs have continuing financial obligations at home that require money. PCVs don't get a salary. We get good medical support but a quite meager living allowance, set purposely low so that we live simply, much like the locals around us. It is a concept with which I agree, but sometimes it's tough to live with. My living allowance was \$150 per month. Peace Corps even urged us, in the written instructions sent us before we left home, listing what to bring - to bring some money of our own if we could. Otherwise there would be a lot of things we would be unable to do, such as travel around within our host country during our vacation times.

President John F. Kennedy said, "Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country." Then, together with Sargent Shriver and the Congress, he established the United States Peace Corps in March 1961. It was one of the best things this country has ever done. And our current President continues to support Peace Corps, urging in his first inaugural address that more Americans should serve in the Peace Corps. Besides the practical development aid work PCVs do, we show people abroad what real Americans are like, as opposed to the fictitious versions they see in exported movies and TV shows. When we come home, we help Americans understand the country and people where we have served. Nowadays more than ever, our country needs this kind of outreach abroad and education at home.

Please, help the State of Alaska to stop dishonoring its citizens who are temporarily away to serve in the U.S. Peace Corps. Restore to the PFD statute the provision that Peace Corps service is an allowable absence for purposes of receiving the PFD. Enact HB 127 into law. I ask this on behalf of the Alaskans who are now away in Peace Corps service, and other Alaskans who will serve in the future.

Respectfully,



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Respectfully submitted to the House Finance Committee, Alaska State Legislature
Representative Meyer, Co-Chair
Representative Chenault, Co-Chair

I write in support of **HB127** in order that Peace Corps Volunteers be approved to receive Alaska Permanent Fund Dividends while they are out-of-state serving the US government.

My understanding is that military volunteers qualify for the Permanent Fund, which I support. The military is essential for our defense. I would submit that the Peace Corps is contributing equally to our defense by gaining the cooperation, trust and respect of "host country nationals" in accomplishing projects important to their countries.

I served two years as a physician for Peace Corps Volunteers (PCVs) in Ethiopia. I found them to be idealistic, hard-working individuals, willing to endure less-than-ideal conditions in order to serve their country abroad in various ways. They were elementary and high school teachers and teacher-trainers, health workers, community project coordinators, and lawyers with government ministries, to name a few. They lived day-to-day at the economic level of local "host country nationals", not separated in American enclaves from the "real" people of the country.

In Ethiopia a majority of PCVs serve for two years in remote villages, some more than a day's walk from a main road used by vehicles. As a consequence these Peace Corps Volunteers were highly regarded, if not loved by the Ethiopians, thereby serving as ambassadors of good will for the United States. They are paid a minimal wage similar to that of the host country individual with the same job, thus, far less than other volunteer jobs with the US government.

The conditions are often harsh. By living as the locals live, they inevitably contract diseases and experience accidents. While I was in Ethiopia one Volunteer was eaten by a crocodile, another killed as a pedestrian hit by a car, others suffered shrapnel wounds when an explosion happened in a theater. We treated many for diseases strange to Americans (malaria, tapeworm and other parasites), as well as for common pneumonia, diarrheal disease, sore throats, infected flea bites, and emotional problems related to "culture shock".

Volunteers return with an understanding of and respect for different cultures--a perspective which has led to improvement in foreign relations and achievement of positive humanitarian goals in our country and abroad. They have returned motivated to help mankind by entering medical school, becoming teachers, lawyers, ministers, and advocates for those less fortunate than themselves. Personally, I continue to be very

proud of having been a part of the Peace Corps program. In many ways, the experience helped me practice medicine in another frontier area, Alaska.

We should be encouraging this kind of commitment, not discouraging it by denying a Permanent Fund Dividend to Alaskan citizens who volunteer service to their country.

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March 29, 2005

3/29/05

To Whom It May Concern:

I am pleased to see the current House Bill (HB 127), which would reinstate the United States Peace Corps as an allowable absence from Alaska for the purposes of the Permanent Fund Dividend.

I am a life-long resident of Juneau, Alaska. I served in the United States Peace Corps from 1993-1995 in a small West African nation called Guinea-Bissau. Before being sworn in as a volunteer in October of 1993, (and taking an oath to support and defend the Constitution of the United States of America), I completed 11 weeks of intensive training in the Cape Verde Islands. This training was excellent and included language, cross-cultural as well as technical training. During training, we studied six days a week (with only Sundays off).


The nation of Guinea-Bissau is about the size of Rhode Island, has a population of about 1 million and is very poor. As a volunteer, I received a small living allowance to pay for food and daily expenses. This money was not a salary per se but a stipend to make ends meet. Upon completion of two years of Peace Corps service, volunteers are given a readjustment allowance to help settle in to life back in the USA. Receiving a Permanent Fund Dividend adds greatly to the financial help.

I must admit I was dumbfounded when the United States Peace Corps (which, as its name indicates, is part of the Federal Government as, of course, is the United States Army or United States Navy) was removed from the list of allowable absences. It has always greatly upset me that such an injustice occurred and has not yet been rectified. It is not fair or right to put the US Peace Corps in the same category as missionaries or other volunteers who are not affiliated with the United States government. Let's give equal rights to Peace Corps Volunteers, federal employees, wishing to serve our nation in a way other than the military.

Please reinstate the Permanent Fund Dividend to the Peace Corps volunteers who serve our nation in all areas of this world. Remember, the United States Peace Corps volunteers return to Alaska and help make this state a better place to live. We are well-informed, caring citizens of this great state. Please don't dishonor the service of the Peace Corps volunteers any longer by not allowing them to receive their PFD. Of those serving our nation abroad as part of the Federal Government, I can say with great certainty that the need for the dividend is greatest for the Peace Corps Volunteers.

Thank you for your consideration of this important issue. If you should need to reach me for any reason, my number is (907) 364-3517 (h) and (907) 465-2270 (w).

Sincerely,



Justine Bishop

Regarding HB 127

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March 28, 2005

To the House Finance Committee:

As a former Peace Corps volunteer, 1995, '96, '97 to Paragva
I certainly support requalifying Peace Corps volunteers
as recipients of the Permanent Fund dividend. I am
proud to have served my country as a Peace Corps
volunteer. Four times a year I rode the 3rd class
bus, 20 hours to the capital city and back, to collect
the very modest stipend offered me. The Peace Cor,
Office was a relatively safe haven. Each time I
entered that facility I felt grateful to be an
American working for my country.

State Department employees in Paraguay actually receive
hardship pay because of the challenges they confront
in a climate with sudden, radical barometric pressure
changes which cause middle ear problems and vertigo.
I received less than \$200 a month, which was adequate
because I knew how to be frugal, and I raised much of
my own food. Without the Permanent Fund dividend
it would have been impossible for me to pay
the property tax on my Juneau home.

In my opinion the United States Peace Corps is one of the most effective services of the U.S. government. Paraguay was only three years out from under the 35 year dictatorship of Stroessner when I arrived in country. While I was there a military coup was aborted by university students who flocked to the streets to defend their fledgling democracy. Throughout the country there were/are people who have been acquainted with Peace Corps volunteers over the 32 year history of Peace Corps in Paraguay. Volunteers share their stories as a free people. Commonly Paraguayans spoke of a volunteer who had befriended them 4 years, 10 years, or even more years ago.

Peace Corps has three goals for each volunteer:

- 1) Share one's own life, culture and traditions with host country.
- 2) Serve the needs of the host country.
- 3) Share the culture and traditions of the country of service with people in the United States upon return.

I have organized more than 100 presentations in classrooms, at the university, in community gatherings, since September 1997 when I returned. I find it imperative to share my experience because I am so grateful for the opportunity my government gave me to be of service in the world representing my country.

I took my teaching career into a country where creative thinking and problem solving were not a part of school curriculum. I demonstrated that a single woman, 60 years old at the time, a widow, could live productively independently and joyously. I started a library with Spanish books purchased in the U.S. with funds donated by my friends and relatives. First children and then student teachers discovered the wonder of books, a resource which had been denied to them under a dictator. Finally even teachers learned how to use literature in their teaching. A literary revolution took place in that tiny one room library on the dirt road in the center of San Pedro de Yvandaruyü, Paraguay.

The learning experiences, the friendships made, the seeds planted are the real remuneration for Peace Corps service. I received my PFD and hope that future Peace Corps volunteers from Alaska will also be awarded the dignity and respect they deserve for serving in the U.S. Peace Corps. I urge you to reinstate Peace Corps volunteers as recipients of the Alaskan Permanent Fund dividend.

Sincerely, Judith Maie
Judith Maie



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Dear Legislators,

I am a Returned Peace Corps Volunteer. I served for two years in Nepal. Since then, I have conducted ten trainings for Peace Corps Volunteers and Host Country staff in four countries (Nepal, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan). I have also conducted numerous trainings for Host Country Nationals.

Because I have had the opportunity to return to countries of service, I have been able to see the positive impact that Peace Corps Volunteers have in their countries of service. Often Volunteers finish their two years of service not knowing the depth and breadth of their impact on the people they have worked with. I could tell you numerous stories of Host Country people who have said to me, "I learned how to do that from my Peace Corps Volunteers", or "I decided to attend school in the US because of my Peace Corps Volunteers", or "My Peace Corps Volunteers helped us build that school or business or clinic". Peace Corps Volunteers also put a human face on the United States and its government. People remember that. I have spoken to people who talk about their Peace Corps Volunteer from 25 years ago. They don't forget. That Peace Corps Volunteer meant a great deal to them. To hundreds of thousands, perhaps millions, of people in other countries, Peace Corps Volunteers are the only Americans they know, and America is what their Peace Corps Volunteers showed them by their unselfish dedication to working for the community. Consistently Peace Corps Volunteers return home and continue to work in their communities at home and abroad.

Peace Corps Volunteers work in communities, in schools, in clinics, in small businesses, and in civil society organizations who work to bring democracy to countries that don't have it. They live with families and devote every day of their two years' service to helping those communities. They receive a living allowance, but no salary or wages. Their living allowance is based on the cost of living in the country and they are paid on a par with their Host Country counterparts. When I was a Volunteer, I received \$125.00 per month for all my expenses, rent, food, clothes, etc. They also receive vacation pay. Mine was \$12.00 per month. Upon completion of service, Volunteers receive a readjustment allowance as well. Mine was \$200 per month. Not exactly living high on the hog. They live a third world lifestyle. The PFD amounts to a lot of money for a Volunteer.

I just did a training in Kyrgyzstan. There has been some trouble there in the last few days over elections, and if the trouble becomes worse, the Volunteers could be sent home. I got an email from one of my former trainees. Here is what she has to say about her service: "We all remain thrilled and excited to be here in the midst of such a decisive time in Kyrgyzstan's history. Honestly, though, I just want to get back to teaching!!! The last two weeks I've settled into such a good pace with my students, totally have the hang of things with my classes and clubs, even the Russian language... and it's just the best job I've ever had... I am praying fervently that this isn't the end of my time in Kyrgyzstan. Having to face

the possible end has been a really good reality check for me to see how much I do want to be here, and that even though I do miss things in the States, that I am not ready to trade the depth and meaning of my work here for the creature comforts."

Our President has been very supportive of Peace Corps. He has worked consistently to expand Peace Corps programs. He has consistently called for increased recruitment, and submitted budgets in line with that. Peace Corps is, as one ambassador said, the cheapest and most effective diplomacy we have.

Peace Corps is a U.S. Government program, just as the military is. Peace Corps Volunteers serve just as those in the military do. They volunteer just as people in the military do. They risk their lives just as those in the military do. And some of them die, just as some of those in the military do. I believe that is service to our country that should be honored. Peace Corps Volunteers should receive their Permanent Fund Dividends for their service just as the military do.

Sincerely,



Pamela T. H. Randles

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Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
Personal Services						
Travel						
Contractual						
Supplies						
Equipment						
Land & Structures						
Grants & Claims						
Miscellaneous						
TOTAL OPERATING	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (Specify Type--Do not abbreviate)						
TOTAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2005) cost: 0.0

Mark this box (X) if funding for this bill is included in the Governor's FY 2006 budget proposal:

POSITIONS

Full-time	0	0	0	0	0	0
Part-time						
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ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

HB 127 adds service in the Peace Corps as allowable absences for permanent fund dividend eligibility.

The Peace Corps advises that 42 current Peace Corps volunteers name Alaska as their home of record. Forty two additional applications in an estimated pool of 640,000 total applicants will have negligible impact on the PFD workload.

The bill also includes needed clarification of the civil penalty provisions for PFD fraud and includes penalty determinations under the PFD appeals process.

Prepared by: Sharon Barton Phone _____
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