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### Teleconference Trouble Report

DATE: 2-12-94 SITE: Anchorage TC #: 40265  
 TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe Problem:

*Monroe A. Peterson  
 5354 E. 42<sup>nd</sup> Ave.  
 Anchorage, Alaska 99508*

*I am for House Bill No. 351 & House Joint  
 Resolution No. 40.*

Action Taken:

Did you call your local phone company? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_.

Did you redial? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_. Problem resolved? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_.

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## Teleconference Trouble Report

DATE: 2-11-94 SITE: June TC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe Problem: HB 351

I support HB 351 and would like to state that for Law Abiding citizens the right to bear arms is our only way to protect ourselves. The public safety people who don't support the bill also don't have a viable way for us to protect ourselves from criminals. We will not just be victimised by them. Please clean up restrictions and don't punish ex cons/ex military or anyone who isn't in jail or AF1. Every American citizen has the right to protect themselves. It's sad, but, today criminals have more rights than us.

### Action Taken:

CHAS WILSON  
115 BELMONT  
ANCHORAGE AK 99511

Did you call your local phone company? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_  
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DATE: 2/12/94 SITE: Juneau TC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

## Describe Problem:

I strongly support HB 351 of HJR 40.  
As a veteran of concerned citizens, we are  
guaranteed the right to own a concealed weapon  
for protection of our family & personal property.  
Your support is requests needed to  
maintain the rights of each citizen  
to protect themselves.

## Action Taken:

Sylvia L. King  
4809 Mill, Juneau  
99508

Did you call your local phone company? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_  
Did you redial? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Problem resolved? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

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DATE: 12 FEB 94 SITE: ANCHORAGE TC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

### Describe Problem:

*IN Regards to HJR 40 and HB 351 I am in Full Support. As a member of the Alaska Air National Guard and a law abiding citizen I feel it is my constitutional right to protect myself and family against criminal forces.*

*My Name is Chris Wetzler at 4809 Mills DR, Anch AK 99508  
Thank you for your time.*

### Action Taken:

Did you call your local phone company? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Did you redial? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Problem resolved? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

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TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe Problem:

H.B. 351 & House Joint Resolutions  
I'm in favor of the bill.  
IF you aren't going according  
to the consistations why do we  
even have a consistation.

Maxcell Graves  
1132 E 14th #3  
ANCH, AK 99501

Action Taken:

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Did you redial? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Problem resolved? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

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DATE: Feb 12 1994 SITE: \_\_\_\_\_ TC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

## Describe Problem:

*Dear Chairman*

*I am a resident of Alaska since 1968 and in favor of HR 551 and AD for self protection and my family. The Alaskan government is doing a good and discreet job that this issue will be given a high priority.*

## Action Taken:

*Eden Hummel  
+  
Christy Hummel  
1711 Core Rd #319  
Anch. AK 99507  
349-2617*

Did you call your local phone company? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Did you redial? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Problem resolved? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

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DATE: 2-12-94 SITE: ANCHORAGE TC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe Problem: NOT ABLE TO CARRY A CONCEALED WEAPON.

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE U.S. IMPLIES A GIVEN RESPONSIBILITY THAT IS WHY IT STATES THIS RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS SHOULD NOT BE INFRINGED

CONVICTS DID WHAT THEY DID BECAUSE THEY THOUGHT THEY COULD GET AWAY WITH BREAKING THE LAW. ASKED IF THEY WOULD TRY THE SAME ACTS IF THEY KNEW OR SUSPECTED THE VICTIM WAS ARMED THE ANSWER IS "NO WAY"!

TAXES WERE PROMISED TO NEVER GO ABOVE 3%. HOW ARE WE DOING? DRIVER LICENSES WERE TO BE ALLOWED AS A REGISTRATION BECAUSE WE HAD A RIGHT TO ACCESS PUBLIC ROADWAYS NOW THEY ARE SAID TO BE A PRIVILEGE. HOW ARE WE DOING?

SOCIALISM IS FIRST COUSIN TO TYRANNY TO DISARM THE LAW ABIDING CITIZENRY IS  
Action Taken: SOCIALISM I.E. TYRANNY!

ASK JUDGES AND OTHER HIGH PROFILE PUBLIC OFFICIALS HOW MANY OF THEM "CARRY" OFF DUTY!

GUN CONTROL SHOULD MEAN THE RESPONSIBLE CITIZEN IN CONTROL OF GUNS.

WHY ARE WE DEEMED GUILTY AS A COLLECTIVE BODY

Did you call your local phone company? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ NOT ABLE TO

Did you redial? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Problem resolved? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ DISCERN RIGHT FROM WRONG.

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Chuck Serra

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 P.O. BOX 242992

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DATE: 2/12/94 SITE: \_\_\_\_\_ TC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

## Describe Problem:

DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
STUDY ↓

TO ALL COMMITTEE PERSONS:

1. A FEW NUMBERS - 93% OF THE GUNS OBTAINED BY VIOLENT CRIMINALS ARE NOT OBTAINED THROUGH LAWFUL TRANSACTIONS.
2. 87% OF VIOLENT CRIMES OCCUR OUTSIDE THE HOME.
3. FOR 1991 FOR ALL CRIMES OF VIOLENCE, ONLY 28% OF CALLS TO POLICE WERE RESPONDED TO WITHIN 5 MINUTES.
4. AT THIS POINT IN TIME IT IS MORE LIKELY AN AMERICAN WILL BE INJURED IN A VIOLENT CRIME THAN THAT HE WILL BE INJURED IN AN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT.
5. STATISTICS RELEASED BY THE FBI LAST YEAR SHOW THAT ONE AMERICAN WOMAN IN FOUR CAN EXPECT TO BE RAPE IN HER LIFETIME. 20% OF THOSE WILL BE MURDERED INCIDENTAL TO THE RAPE. THE DEPT. OF JUSTICE NOTES 5 OUT OF 6 AMERICANS WILL BE VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIME REGARDLESS OF SEX.

## Action Taken:

David Garcia  
1941 STATE ST.  
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA  
99504

I'M IN FAVOR OF BOTH  
BILLS HJR 40 & HB 351

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DATE: 2/12/94 SITE: Anch TC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

## Describe Problem:

HB#351

As a woman's registered voter here I would like to support the above referenced bill. I would like the legal right to carry a weapon in my purse for protection. I would also like to answer the concern of the state dept of Mental Health - I would like to take the chance of a mentally ill person getting a permit, I know that they already have illegal right to carry!

Peggie Bain  
205 E Dimond #375  
Anch AK. 99515

## Action Taken:

Did you call your local phone company? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_.

Did you redial? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_. Problem resolved? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_.

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DATE: 2-12-94 SITE: Anchorage TC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

### Describe Problem:

My name is Derrill V Langer  
1581 Beaver Place  
Anchorage, AK 99504  
(907) 333-3129

I support HJR 40. I also support the RIGHT of the individual citizens to carry a concealed weapon. But why does the state need to SELL permits to carry them. Why not simply affirm the RIGHT to carry a concealed weapon. In regards to H.B. 351!

Also, the age limit of 21 years should be lowered to 18.

All adult citizens (read constituents) have the right to protect themselves

The proposed fees are totally excessive.

The restrictions on where a weapon may be carried are excessive,

### Action Taken:



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Did you redial? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Problem resolved? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_.

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DATE: 2 Feb 94 SITE: Anchorage TC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

## Describe Problem:

Re: HB 351. I am in favor of this bill, I feel the fees for issuance of the permit is a bit high, unfair and will limit access to ones ability to obtain a permit. Please keep in mind, this is our Constitutional right there is a responsibility that goes along with this right also. I would ask that the fees be more in ~~line~~ line with Car Registration Fees or Driver License fee.

Thank you for your time.

## Action Taken:

*Thomas J. Nelson*  
P.O. Box 610123  
Chugiak, AK 99567  
(907) 688-7381

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TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

### Describe Problem:

RE: HB# 351

My Name is DON BAIN, I AM A LOCAL BUSINESS OWNER AND A VOTING CITIZEN OF ALASKA FOR 25 YRS. A DAD & GRANDFATHER, I URGE IMMEDIATE ACTION ON THIS BILL. I SUBMIT TO YOU THIS SIMPLE STATEMENT "AN ARMED SOCIETY, IS A POLITE SOCIETY."

DON BAIN  
205 E. Diamond #375  
Anchorage, ALASKA 99515  
# 345-6281

### Action Taken:

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Did you redial? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_. Problem resolved? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_.

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TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

## Describe Problem:

Thomas PERCA, 7140 TRAVES CEM. ANCH. AK.  
99507 (907) 344-1092

I support HB 351. I am a Viet Nam  
COMBAT INFANTRY VET. I see no problem  
WITH RESPONSIBLE PEOPLE CARRYING A CONCEALED  
"TOOL" TO PROTECT THEMSELVES. My family  
SUPPORTS ME ON THIS ISSUE. THANK YOU.

## Action Taken:



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Teleconference Trouble Report Anch. AK, 99507

DATE: 2-12-94 SITE: Anchorage TC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
TIME OF PROBLEM: HB 351 PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe Problem:

I completely support HB 351 - Thank you for your consideration on this bill.

First of all, this bill should be passed immediately. We should have the right to carry a concealed weapon. It is inappropriate for me or my wife to carry a weapon that is visible. It bothers people & it makes people uneasy.

We also need to clean this bill up. If you have a criminal record, are not currently wanted for a crime, on probation, currently in a mental institution, or on paroll - you should get a permit. ~~we~~ We can't have too many restrictions.

It is my belief and a fact that the crime will decrease, not increase with an armed citizenry. Our police force is only there after the crime has been committed. Also, the fees are too high. And there

Action Taken: should not be more than a few days wait. You should not have to wait 90 days for a permit.

I and my family appreciate your consideration.

A concerned citizen

Michael D. Bruce

Did you call your local phone company? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Did you redial? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Problem resolved? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

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TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe Problem: HB 351

As elected representatives your supreme obligation is to represent your constituents in regards to their rights and freedoms provided within the constitution they live under

Your sworn duty is to uphold the constitutional rights as clearly stated by its authors. Therefore when a term such as "shall not be infringed" is used it is done so with much wisdom and consideration.

When bill 351 is written it should so stipulate that a permit must (without discretion) be issued to those who apply

Action Taken:

Garvin Greenland  
PO Box 202082  
ANC AK 99500  
304-6259

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DARRIN Powers  
4117 LANA LT  
ANCH AK 99508  
337-8527

I have been a resident of ALASKA for 5 yrs and a registered voter in ALASKA for 4 of those 5 years. I am veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces, a business owner, husband and a father of 2 ~~precious~~ precious children. I am in Favor of H.B. 351. I would like to have a way to protect my wife + children as well give my wife a chance to protect herself when I can't be with her. I am opposed to the permit fees for something that is a constitutional right, I am also opposed to ~~the~~ Item 2 of the Qualifications section on page 2 lines 27 + 28. A person should not be punished for a mistake he or she made for the rest of their lives. I understand the need for this clause but shouldn't it be for violent crimes?

Thank you very much for this opportunity and for the fine work you are doing

Darin Powers

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DATE: 2/12/94 SITE: ANCHORAGE TC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

### Describe Problem:

Ron Yeager  
3571 Heartwood Pl.  
Anchorage, AK 99504

Please accept my thanks for working on HB 351  
& HJR 40. I support these both.

I ask you to pass these and  
acknowledge the rights recognized by our  
forefathers.

Again thank you!

### Action Taken:

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Did you redial? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Problem resolved? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

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SEFFTON L. HEMINGWAY 2128 MISTY GLEN CIRCLE ANCH AK  
 Teleconference ~~Transcript~~ 99522

DATE: 2/12/94 SITE: ANCHORAGE ETC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
~~EMERGENCY~~ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

~~Disaster Problem:~~

I strongly support both SJR #40 & HB #351.

I FEEL THAT THE FEES are too high especially for renewal.

THE RIGHT UNDER CONSTITUTION TO BEAR ARMS SHOULD STAND.

CONCEALED WEAPON IS A MUST ESPECIALLY IN TODAY SOCIETY IN ORDER FOR ALL GOOD LAW ABIDING CITIZEN THE RIGHT TO PROTECT THEMSELVES AT ALL TIME.

THE GUN IS NOT THE PROBLEM, THE CRIMINAL IS, LET'S DO SOMETHING TO STOP THEM.

AS A HUSBAND, MILITARY VETERAN, REGISTERED VOTER, ~~AND~~ LAW ABIDING CITIZEN THAT I AM QUALIFIED TO CARRY A CONCEALED WEAPON WITHOUT ALL THESE RESTRICTIONS.

I WOULD NOT EXPECT OR THINK THAT YOU WOULD EXPECT WOMEN TO WALK AROUND WITH A WEAPON HANGING OFF THEIR SIDE.

Did you call your local phone company? Yes  No

Did you redial? Yes  No  Problem resolved? Yes  No

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Seffton L. Hemingway G-12

## Teleconference Trouble Report

DATE: 2-17-94 SITE: \_\_\_\_\_ TC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

### Describe Problem:

Mark Girmscheid Z 710 Glacier St. #1  
Anchorage, AK 99508

Dear Gentlemen and Ladies,  
As a veteran of the United States Army, I  
would like to express my support of both,  
HJR 40 & HB 351.

My only concerns with these legislations is  
the cost of attaining a permit and the  
restrictions, of varying degrees, on our Constit-  
utional Rights.

Please, let's cut the "fat" out of this  
Action Taken: legislation. As to not let our beliefs and  
concerns on our personal safety, be misunder-  
stood by our wording or intentions.

Sincerely,  
Mark Girmscheid

Did you call your local phone company? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Did you redial? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Problem resolved? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

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DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ SITE: \_\_\_\_\_ TC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe Problem: NOT ENOUGH TIME FOR ALL TO SPEAK.

I AM IN SUPPORT OF BOTH HRB 410 + HB 351.

I BELIEVE I AM ALREADY GIVEN THESE RIGHTS IN THE CONSTITUTION.  
 THE CONGRESS IS TRYING TO TAKE AWAY OUR RIGHTS + I REFUSE TO LET THAT  
 HAPPEN.

MY WIFE + I ARE BUSINESS OWNERS + I AM A VETERAN. I  
 WANT ~~THE~~ MY WIFE + CHILDREN TO BE AS SAFE AS POSSIBLE. THE  
 POLICE OVERALL DO A FINE JOB, BUT THEY CAN PREVENT FEW CRIMES,  
 ONLY TRY TO PUNISH CRIMINALS.

THESE PERMITS SHOULD BE ISSUED FOR LIFE UNLESS OTHERWISE REQUIRED.  
 WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF US CONTINUALLY PAYING THE GOVERNMENT OVER & OVER  
 WHEN THERE ARE NO ADDITIONAL GOVERNMENT COSTS AFTER THE BACKGROUND CHECK.

Action Taken:

THANK YOU

ANTHONY Q. GORMAN  
 348-B 6<sup>TH</sup> ST.  
 FORT RICHARDSON, ALASKA 99505  
 907-428-1179

VOTING PRECINCT ANCH #425

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TIME OF PROBLEM: am PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe Problem: Not enough time for all to speak -

1. We already possess the right to keep & bear arms guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States. I find it disconcerting we must even address this topic as if it were being considered as some new concept.
2. I'm against what I interpret as possible loopholes in the bill allowing the permit to be denied at the whimsy of the Troopers. Sec. 18.65.700(a) states that the department SHALL issue the permit if a person goes through the process and qualifies as spelled out in (1) through (7).  
There should be no need for the words "or reject" (an application) in (b) because it's already been stated that the Troopers "shall issue ...".  
The bill should spell out that if the applicant meets all criteria the Troopers may not deny the applicant the permit. "Shall not" would be even better wording. (b) needs rewording.
3. Renewal fees are way out of line - far too high.
4. The whole bill is too wordy and complicated.

Action Taken:

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Did you redial? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Problem resolved? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

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 TIME OF PROBLEM: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE LINE: \_\_\_\_\_

Describe Problem:

Clearly HB 351 & HJR 40  
 have been continued from the will of  
 the people. Supported by over 90%  
 of those giving testimony. This  
is what the people want, please  
 reflect us in your voting....

Action Taken:

CS Mackey  
 3605 Arctic Blvd #627  
 Anchorage 99503

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# Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the (H) State Affairs  
committee name  
 committee on HB 351, HJR 40, dated 2-12-94  
bill/subject

Following are 24 pages of written testimony on the above bills. Please overlook the form - it was the only one available quickly. Everyone here was in support of these bills as evidenced by a show-of hands. They were also complimentary to the Chair and process.

*Jean Miller, Moderator*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Testifier Anchorage L10  
 Representing (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

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# Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House State Affairs  
 committee name

committee on HB 351 - Conceal Carry, dated 2-12-94  
 bill/subject

(SEE ATTACHED SHEET)

Signed: Jill Skaw  
 Testifier

Kodiak Youth Task Force Committee  
 Representing (Optional)

Box 842, Kodiak, AK 99615  
 Address

486-5066  
 Phone No.

February 11, 1994

Kodiak Youth Task Force Committee

Chairman Vezey  
House State Affairs Committee  
Re: HB 351

Mr. Chairman:

We represent the Kodiak High School Advisory Youth Task Force sub-committee, which is composed of a cross section of Alaskan voters that are both parents and non-parents. We support HB 351 for the following reasons.

1. The provisions of this bill are in our view designed to lessen violent crime. One of our main concerns is making schools a zero tolerance zone for violence.
2. The certification aspect of this bill ensures the permit holder has competent knowledge to use a firearm as well as the knowledge of legal liability.
3. The photograph requirement of this HB 351, which mandates a photograph no more than 30 days older than the permit application date will enhance law enforcements ability to obtain a more timely and accurate photograph than is now provided by the Alaska Drivers License photo which because of the mail-in renewal aspect means that a DMV photo may be 10 to 20 years old on a current issue Drivers License or Identification card.
4. The valid time period of the permit being 3 years is more realistic and practical than what was found in Oregon's recent experience with a concealed weapons law. In Oregon the permit was valid for one year. It was found that the demand was so great that the application process became back logged to the point that by the time the applicant received his/ her permit the life was less than a year. Oregon has extended the time period beyond a year.
5. In addition it should be noted that Florida passed a concealed weapons law in 1987. Since the enactment of this law the rate of homicides involving firerams has been reduced by 21%.
6. A major concern of law enforcement officals is that armed citizens with concealed weapons pose a danger to police. In Oregon and else where there has been no documented evidence to substaniate this concern.
7. The only modification to HB 351 our committee would like to suggest is an addition to Sec. 18.65.753. PLACES WHERE PERMITTEE MAY NOT POSSES A CONCEALED WEAPON. to include all public and private schools in accordance with the Violation of the federal Gun Free School Zones Act of 1990, 18 U.S.C. Sect 922.

Jill Skaw  
Box 842  
Kodiak, AK 99615

Michael McCarthy  
Box 2797  
Kodiak, AK 99615

Sherry Saunders  
Box 1271  
Kodiak, AK  
99615

# Are We 'a Nation of Cowards'?

**J**EFFREY SNYDER'S TIMING IS EITHER PERFECT OR PERFECTLY awful. Just as there seems to be a coalescing consensus that the keys to controlling violent crime are more police and fewer guns, along comes Snyder to trouble the conscience of anyone who thinks so. In his essay "A Nation of Cowards" in *The Public Interest* quarterly, he argues, with a potent blend of philosophy and fact, as follows:

"Crime is rampant because the law-abiding, each of us, condone it, excuse it, permit it, submit to it. We permit and encourage it because we do not fight back immediately, then and there, where it happens . . . The defect is there, in our character. We are a nation of cowards and shirkers."

Strong words, those, but not stronger than his argument, the gravamen of which is that the crime problem cannot be addressed without confronting the moral responsibility of the intended victim. Taking responsibility for one's life, family and community requires fighting back when threatened with violence. How? By possessing and mastering the means of resistance. He means an "equalizer"—a handgun. A responsible citizen, he says, "will be trained in the use of his weapon, and will defend himself when faced with lethal violence."

Before examining his argument for an armed citizenry, consider the freshest evidence of the nation's quickened concern about crime.

On Election Day voters in liberal Washington state gave emphatic (76 percent) approval to the "three strikes and you're out" initiative which mandates life imprisonment without parole for people convicted of three major felonies. California, although taxophobic, nevertheless voted to make permanent an existing tax to provide \$1.5 billion for public safety—more police and firemen. (Arson has made fire a facet of California's anxiety about crime.) Fiscally conservative Texas endorsed a \$1 billion bond issue to build more prisons and mental health facilities.

The day after the elections the House of Representatives, with a familiar mixture of posturing and false advertising, passed yet another crime bill, this one purporting to subsidize the hiring of 50,000 police officers. It probably would fund fewer. The Senate promptly pumped up the money. For 40 years Congress has passed a crime bill in every two-year session, except the last one. The criminal class has not been impressed.

The day after the elections the president held a ceremony to push the bill that would require a five-day waiting period for the purchase of a gun. The attention given to this "Brady bill" seems disproportionate, given that 93 percent of the guns obtained by violent criminals are not obtained through lawful transactions that are the focus of most gun control legislation.

More interesting, the day after the elections Sen. Pat Moynihan proposed whopping tax increases on various kinds of handgun ammunition. He even favors a 10,000 percent tax on the Winchester 9-mm hollow-tipped Black Talon cartridge. ("Penetrates soft tissue like a throwing star—very nasty," boasts an advertisement.) That tax would make 20 cartridges cost about \$1,500. In large

portions of Moynihan's New York City people are slain by stray—that's right, stray—bullets. Moynihan says: Guns do not kill people, bullets do. We have a 200-year supply of guns and a four-year supply of ammunition, so concentrate on the latter.

Snyder, an attorney in Washington, where the mayor begs for military help against crime, demurs, comprehensively. America, he says, is wrongly called an "armed society." He thinks we would be better off if it were. Most of the guns owned by law-abiding citizens

are kept at home, but 87 percent of violent crimes occur outside the home. The constantly armed portion of the community consists primarily of the police and violent criminals. Multiplying the former cannot make us safe from the latter.

**Self-respect:** It is, says Snyder, foolish and craven to expect police to perform as personal bodyguards. The existence of police does not relieve individuals of all responsibility for self-protection. That judgment has both prudential and moral dimensions. Gun owners like to say, "Call for a cop, call for an ambulance and call for a pizza. See which comes first." The Department of Justice reports that in 1991, for all crimes of violence, only 25 percent of calls to the police were responded to within five minutes. And it is now more likely that an American will be injured by violent crime than that he will be injured in an auto accident.

Feminists, says Snyder, rightly insist that rape is not about sex but about domination. What is at issue

is not just property but dignity. Crime, he says, always violates the victim's dignity, which can hardly be said to exist if the victim does not deem it worth fighting for. Crime is "an act of enslavement" and a personal readiness to resist it should be regarded as a prerequisite of self-respect, properly understood. He notes that "self-respect," which implies standards by which one judges oneself, has been supplanted in public discourse by the locution "self-esteem," which simply means having warm feelings about oneself. Repeating the shibboleths of the gun control movement makes many people feel good about themselves. Snyder's argument should disturb their peace.

Much gun control advocacy is directed against normal citizens, who are depicted as at best benighted and at worst barbaric. Gun owners are routinely characterized as uneducated, intolerant, possibly paranoid rednecks—people urgently in need of re-education and "consciousness-raising" from the liberal agenda. In Mario Cuomo's depiction, gun owners are "hunters who drink beer, don't vote and lie to their wives about where they were all weekend." (Cuomo quickly recanted this. Gun owners do vote.) Actually, the gun-owning population is pretty much like the general population because approximately one of every two households has a gun.

Now, Snyder is right that the gun control movement often radiates distrust of average citizens, whose supposed mental and moral deficiencies are such that "only lack of immediate access to guns prevents the blood from flowing in the streets." Nevertheless, it is reasonable to wonder whether a nation whose citizens cannot

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## EXAMINING THE ARGUMENT FOR AN ARMED CITIZENRY

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program their VCRs and who increasingly will not respect stoplights (surely you have noticed the increasing lawlessness of drivers) is a nation whose citizens are insufficiently dexterous and too aggressive to be safely armed.

Snyder says the idea that only the police are qualified to use firearms is akin to saying that "only concert pianists may play the piano and only professional athletes may play sports." The flaw in Snyder's analogy is that if you play the piano unskillfully, you neither kill nor wound anyone. However, Snyder has evidence more powerful than his analogy.

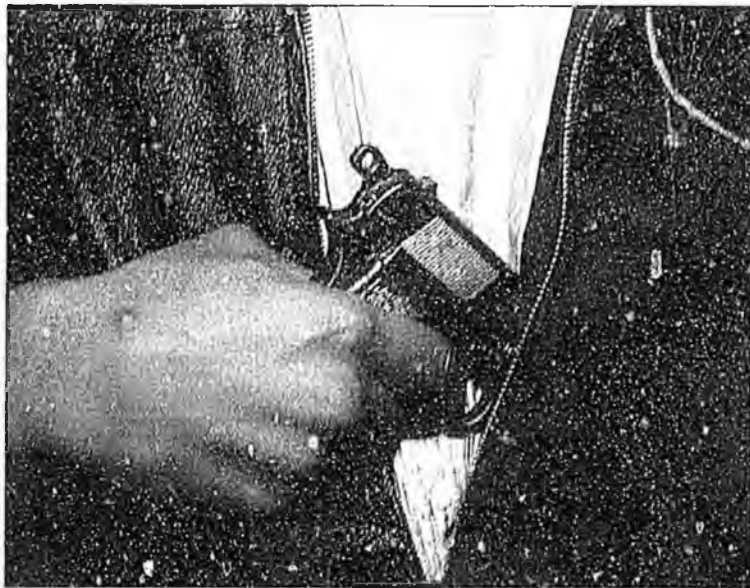
In 13 states citizens who wish to carry arms may do so, having met certain requirements. Consider Florida, which in 1987 enacted a concealed-carry law guaranteeing a gun permit to any resident who is at least 21, has no record of crime, mental illness or drug or alcohol abuse, and who has completed a firearms safety course. Florida's homicide rate fell following the enactment of this law, as did the rate in Oregon after the enactment of a similar law. Through June 1993, there had been 160,823 permits issued in Florida. Only 530, or 0.33 percent, of the applicants have been denied permits. This indicates that the law is serving the law abiding. Only 16 permits, less than 1/100th of 1 percent, have been rescinded because of the commission, after issuance, of a crime involving a firearm.

Ninety percent of violent crimes are committed by persons not carrying handguns. This is one reason why the mere brandishing of a gun by a potential victim of violence often is a sufficient response to a would-be attacker. In most cases where a gun is used in self-defense,

it is not fired. Can the average citizen be trusted to judge accurately when he or she is in jeopardy? Snyder answers that "rape, robbery and attempted murder are not typically actions rife with ambiguity or subtlety." Furthermore:

"Florida State University criminologist Gary Kleck, using surveys and other data, has determined that armed citizens defend their lives or property with firearms against criminals approximately 1 million times a year. In 98 percent of these instances, the citizen merely brandishes the weapon or fires a warning shot. Only in 2 percent of the cases do citizens actually shoot their assailants. In defending themselves with their firearms, armed citizens kill 2,000 to 3,000 criminals each year, three times the number killed by the police. A nationwide study by Don Kates, the constitutional lawyer and criminologist, found that only 2 percent of civilian shootings involved an innocent person mistakenly identified as a criminal. The 'error rate' for the police, however, was 11 percent, more than five times as high."

Concerning what we may call "the running of red lights syndrome" in contemporary America, I put the point to Snyder and he fired back a fax:



Equalizer: Is this a citizen taking his responsibility seriously?

**'CRIME IS  
RAMPANT  
BECAUSE THE  
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SUBMIT TO IT'**

"Regarding your observation about our society's general level of aggressiveness and disregard for rules, you may wish to consider Robert Heinlein's famous dictum that 'An armed society is a polite society.' Knowing that one's fellow citizens are armed, greater care is naturally taken not to give offense. The proposition is, of course, difficult to prove, but you can find some support for it in English literature. Observe the polite formality with which strangers address each other in innns in, for example, Fielding's 'Tom Jones' or (with comedic exaggeration) in Dickens's 'Pickwick Papers.' While no doubt attributable in part to England's class structure and the education received by the aristocracy, I would hesitate to say that it had nothing to do with the fact that gentlemen generally were armed."

Or as is famously said in American literature, by the hero of Owen Wister's "The Virginian," "When you call me that, *smile!*" Such was politeness in the armed society of 19th-century Wyoming.

Finally, there is the matter of the Second Amendment. This Republic's Founders constitutionalized, which means they made

fundamental, the right to possess firearms, and they did not do so unreflectively. They placed that right second in the Bill of Rights, yielding precedence only to rights pertaining to speech, worship and association, and they did that for philosophically serious reasons. The philosophy of classical republicanism recognizes a crucial relationship between personal liberty and possession of arms by a people prepared to use them. Snyder believes that the Second Amendment is as much a product of this philosophy as of the Revolutionary War experience or the exigencies of frontier life: "To own firearms is to affirm that freedom is not a gift from government . . . As the

Founding Fathers knew well, a government that does not trust its honest, law-abiding, taxpaying citizens with the means of self-defense is not itself worthy of trust."

Yes, and yet . . . no society can be called successful where violence is so prevalent and random that law-abiding citizens must go about prepared to dispense violence in self-defense. No one wants to live, raise children and grow old in such a society. But government is constituted to provide, first and foremost,

domestic tranquillity sufficient to make unnecessary the sort of personal measures that Snyder recommends. If such measures are becoming necessary, do not blame Snyder.

Snyder writes that "the association of personal disarmament with civilized behavior is one of the great unexamined beliefs of our time." Not anymore it isn't. His searching examination of it may not compel your assent — I remain unpersuaded — but it must shake some soothing assumptions regarding crime and civic responsibilities. I am among those whom Snyder faults, civilly but firmly, for insufficient rigor in reasoning about these matters. I find being reproved by him a bracing experience because it enlarges my understanding while subtracting from my certainties. I salute him and thank him.



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# Alaska State Legislature

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Concerning H.B. 351

I don't think this bill goes far enough concerning concealed carry in the larger cities of ALASKA. I live in a rural area often travelling with my family to the large cities in ALASKA, will I be in violation of ALASKA's carrying a weapon in these areas even if I have obtained a permit if 351 passes? This needs to be addressed and clarified.

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# Alaska State Legislature

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 committee on HJR 40/HB 351, dated 02/12/94  
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I would like to support the passage of HJR 40; and  
 HB 351 that would allow every decent, law abiding  
 citizen of Alaska an opportunity to carry a weapon  
 in a concealed manner. We must be able to defend  
 ourselves against the threats of criminals. Unless a person  
 is a convicted criminal, or judged as mentally incapable,  
 it should be mandatory that they be given the chance to meet  
 violations of their lives with at least an equal chance of survival.  
 The criminals are armed - all we ask is an ability to obtain,  
 by choice, a permit to arm ourselves against them. Also, I think  
 that a fee for a right is questionable. Driving is a privilege, as  
 is hunting, and a license fee is appropriate. I see too easy a jump ~~from~~  
 from paying more than an administrative fee for a carry permit, to paying for  
 the right to keep ~~own~~ firearms in any manner. The next  
 step would be paying for other

Signed: Paul & Joyce Karczmarczyk  
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for other constitutional rights.  
 Thank you for being so interested in preserving our freedoms.



# Alaska State Legislature

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and HBR 40

unequivocally, without reservation, support both  
 Alaska is no longer a (last) frontier - open  
 fire arm carry is impractical - CCW permit is  
 indicative of a higher level of civilization. Having  
 lived in many states of the US, I have never  
 before been deprived of a CCW permit. This  
 provision is long overdue.

HBR 40 is merely a restatement and  
 reinforcement of an existing right guaranteed  
 by the US Constitution. Please act upon both

Thank you

Signed: Kenneth E Farrow Kenneth E FARROW  
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# Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House State Affairs committee name

committee on HB-351 and HJR-40, dated Feb 12 1994

In Whom It May Concern:

Testimony in reference to HB 351 and HJR 40.

Bill 351 has many problems, the \$100.00 registration fee is a problem in its self as it opens the door to larger fees.

What is to stop the state from raising it from \$100.00 to \$5000.00 or even to \$50,000.00 if it wants to stop people from obtaining permits?

The part about taking finger prints on any other means of identification could and will be used against the people by OTHER GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES IN THE FUTURE.

The part about mental illness is a dilemma.

Depending on the psychiatrists opinion anyone can be mentally ill according to Government Standards.

In my opinion this bill is just the beginning of ARMS CONTROL after all CONTROL OF IT'S PEOPLE IS WHAT THE GOVERNMENT IS ALL ABOUT.

Next it will be REGISTERING ALL GUNS AND THE REST OF THE STORY WILL BE TO TURN THEM ALL IN.

This bill contradicts HJR-40 by infringing against the RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS. A better solution to Bill 351 which is about a complete ZERO needs to be taken to the shredder.

Bill No 40 could be a complete solution to Bill 351 with a few minor changes as follows:

NO 40, SECTION 19, RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS a well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a FREE STATE AS LONG AS THE MILITIA IS THE FREE CITIZEN OF THE STATE AND NOT THE MILITARY, POLICE, BATE, FEMA OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.

The individual right to keep and bear arms NO MATTER WHAT SHAPE OR FORM CONCEALED OR NOT shall not be denied or infringed by the State or Political subdivision of the State.

Signed: Gene Osterman  
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# Alaska State Legislature

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committee on HB 351 - HT 440 , dated February 12, 1994  
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I was, unfortunately, able to testify at today's tele-conference on HB 351 and joint resolution #40. I would have said to you that I support these two bills because they are needed. If you legislators have any sense of respect for civil rights in this country then you owe it to yourselves and your constituency to strengthen gun ownership in this state. Thirty seven other states have strengthened the right to carry concealed by extending the law to include law abiding citizens who have no criminal past. Alaska's passage of these bills would send the message that is needed to go out to citizens of this state and nationally that Alaska and the nation still trust its citizenry. President Clinton and his policies would never have been elected dog catcher in the free state of Alaska. No matter what lip service the elected Democratic party members in this state pay to his administration, they, to a man, know that inwardly that this President is propped up by international interests that is not in sympathy with main stream thinking in Alaska. I will vote against any legislator who votes against these two bills. So will a lot of other people. This is not a threat; it is a promise. Citizens' rights are increasingly trampled underfoot by a burgeoning bureaucracy funded by the oil revenue. Keep Alaska free. Vote to pass these two bills.

Signed: Charles M. Larver  
Testifier

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February 5, 1994

Walter Hickel, Governor  
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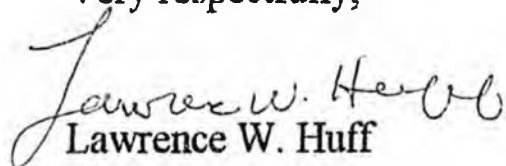
Dear Mr. Hickel,

I am a concerned citizen (a bush pilot) of our great state and a loyal supporter of yours. I appreciate all of your efforts to preserve freedom and promote commerce in our state.

I am writing to let you know that I am firmly in favor of H.B. 351 and S.B. 237, recognizing and confirming our right to bear arms (concealed). I need to be able to defend myself and my family against the criminal. I believe this responsibility should be granted to any one not convicted of a felony or currently under psychiatric, alcohol or drug treatment. It doesn't seem right to restrict people because of former treatments - we're all a former something.

Thank you for listening, Mr. Hickel. That's one reason I appreciate you so much.

Very respectfully,

  
Lawrence W. Huff

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C.C: Tom Fink, Mayor ANC.  
Rep. Jeanette James  
Rep. Green  
Senator Salo

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February 7, 1994

Al Vezey  
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Al Vezey

My father worked for the Atomic Energy Commission as a security guard. He taught me the proper use of hand guns, rifles, and to respect life.

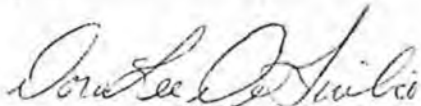
The constitution of the United States was written by God faring men who's leadership was directed God for his people. The Bill of Rights, Article Two gives us the right to keep and bare arms.

I feel that House Bill 351 should be passed. The individual should have the right to carry a concealed weapon to use in defense of his life or the life of his family. Those who with to have the privilege should be willing to comply with guide line that have been set up, such as; gun safety training, background checks, and licensing.

As a mother I understand the pressures you are facing concerning this bill. So many of our young people are growing up without the respect and knowledge for guns that it seems the only thing that will help is taking guns away from everybody, but please don't let anymore of our rights disappear. Use your power to maintain this right and to reinforce the belief of the people in the men and women they have trusted to lead them.

Sincerely

Dora Lee DeGuilio



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February 10, 1994

FROM: Mary Isley  
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TO: The Honorable Walter J. Hickle  
Governor of the State of Alaska

Mr. Hickle:  
Re: HB 351

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you on the skill and persistence with which you have thus far handled the management and utilization of our natural resources; with a reasonable eye towards the preservation of those same resources. I am well aware of how difficult this must be.

I am writing you as a concerned citizen, a current United States Postmaster and a registered alaska voter.

There is a movement in this country to disarm the populace with various controls, bans, taxes, and regulations etc. As you most likely agree these laws will only be obeyed by the law-abiding citizens; the victims. We cannot and must not disarm the victims. FBI statistics clearly show that over 5 out of 6 crimes committed are with ILLEGAL weapons. The victims, the law-abiding citizens are not committing crimes with guns.

I am, therefore, very much in favor of a law allowing ANY citizen who can prove that he/she is not on probation, parole, or wanted for a crime; willing to take a certified gun safety course periodically; be fingerprinted and register his/her firearm (if necessary); pay a REASONABLE license fee; be issued a permit to carry a concealed weapon.

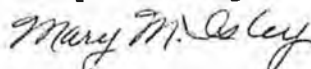
As a working mother and housewife who must travel alone at least one hour each way to work daily; and be home alone frequently while my husband is away on business trips; often for several days at a time, I would like to be able to defend myself and my children should the need arise. The frontier days are gone and a weapon in plain sight is not practical or comfortable in business or social settings. A weapon in the glovebox of the car or in a purse is discreet, inoffensive and non-threatening but available if needed.

I would also like to be able to use my license in ANY state that I visit, just as I now do with my drivers license.

I urge you to consider this most carefully. We must not disarm the victims, the law-abiding citizens of this country. Yes, there must be some controls, but ANYONE who can meet the requirements should be able to get the concealed carry permit, mandated by law, NOT at the whim or discretion of some person, committee or agency.

Again, thank you for your unceasing efforts on our behalf. We appreciate what you are doing.

Respectfully



Mary M. Isley

cc: Don Gilman, Mayor  
Kenai Peninsula Borough

Judith E. Salo, Senator  
District 09E

Mike Navarre, Representative  
District 09 E

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State Affairs Committee

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Ron Larson, Chairman  
Finance Committee

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To

10 Feb., 1994

Mr. Al Vezey

I am a businessman here in Soldotna, as well as a lifelong resident of Alaska and most importantly, a concerned citizen.

I am writing this letter in regards to House Bill 351. I recall a time when it was not uncommon to carry an open or exposed weapon, but I feel and observe that this behavior is no longer practical.

As our peace and tranquility is dependent on the constitution and the rights guaranteed by the second amendment, I respectfully ask you to support our basic rights and help to strengthen them by making issuance of a concealed weapon permit to be mandatory for law abiding citizens who have fulfilled all requirements.

I am a law-abiding registered voter, as well as an informed citizen, and I am fully aware that if guns are outlawed then the criminals will carry them anyway. We as citizens need to be able to defend ourselves. As the trend in this country, through a basic lack of accurate thinking and misinformed people, continues to steer the people toward more gun control, I feel that we need our rights protected now more than ever.

It doesn't make any sense at all to take away the means for law-abiding citizens to protect their families and property; and I cannot support or vote for anyone who does not stand for and support our God given rights and freedoms. We need to fall back on what our country's founding fathers wanted, not what others have decided to evaluate the issues to be. We are one nation under God, indivisible, and if our police chiefs and Commissioner of Public Safety don't understand these basic truths, then they need to read and study the U.S. Constitution extensively.

I would greatly appreciate a response that states your feelings on these issues.

Thank-you.

A concerned voter,

*Doug J. Mallette*  
Doug J. Mallette

- cc: Walter J. Hickel
- House State Affairs Committee
- House Judiciary Committee
- House Finance Committee
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# Alaska State Legislature

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Please enter into the record my testimony to the House State Affairs  
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I'd Like To Go On Record As Being In Favor Of Both Bills, However I Think The Fees Are Excessive. I Was Present At The Teleconference. Held On This Date. The Majority Of Those Who Testified Were In Favor Of The Bills. Two Who Were Opposed To The Bills Worked In Law Enforcement. The Police Should Consider Law Abiding Citizens As Allies Against The War On Crime. Lets Even The Odds By Letting Citizens Carry Concealed Weapons Not Just The Crooks. In My Oppinion, The Constitution Gives Me The Right To Keep And Bear Arms. These Bills Will Affirm That Right And Allow Me To Carry A Concealed Weapon To Defend Myself or Others Against Crime. The Media Is Quick To Tell Us All The Bad Things That Happen Involving Guns. I Challenge Them To Go On The Air With A Copy Of American Rifleman Magazine And Read The Armed Citizen Section.

Signed: Tim Webb  
 Testifier

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February 9, 1994

Honorable Walter J. Hickel  
Governor  
State of Alaska  
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Juneau, Alaska 99811-0001

Dear Governor:

I respectfully wish to say "Thank You" for striving to keep a balance between economic and environmental issues in our state. It must be a difficult process, to say the least.

Another difficult subject must be the gun control legislation. On this matter I would like to express my views.

I believe the forefathers of this great nation were not only inspired, but knew exactly what they were doing when framing the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights. They provided every U.S. citizen with a list of rights, one of which, is the right of citizens to bear arms.

I have grown up with, and still firmly believe, that it is every citizens right (my right) to own and carry firearms, (rifles, shotguns, handguns, cannon, etc. - single shot through fully automatic) without having to register the ownership.

I also believe it is every citizens right (my right) to carry a concealed firearm (handgun) for self protection.

I do believe a person incarcerated due to a felony conviction; is a felon on parole; or has pending court case involving a felony should not be allows to carry a firearm, concealed or visible. Likewise, neither should a person deemed mentally unstable and under psychiatric care be allowed to carry a firearm, concealed or visible.

I would like to see Alaska have strong laws allowing law-bidding (non-felons) citizens to carry concealed firearms (handguns) if they desire without having to provide any reason other than for self protection. I know I would personally feel better knowing some of my family members and myself, who are out at 5:00 am each weekday morning in downtown Anchorage (it is job related), have some self protection.

Honorable Walter J. Hickel  
February 9, 1994  
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Because of my beliefs I would like to see House Bill 351 cleaned up with no garbage ridding along with it. Just let citizens carry concealed firearms for self protection without some bureaucratic, political appointee interpreting constitutional laws on their own.

The Senate Bill 237 should be cleaned up and supported, also!

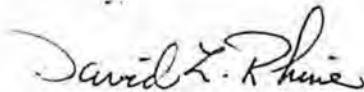
Possibly, you as Governor, could convey to the House and Senate that I have strong enough beliefs on this matter that I would work and strive to defeat (any and all) during their next election campaign that opposed this legislation. While I am only one concerned citizen, I would bet that I could, at very least, swing a thousand votes if I put my mind to it.

I just wanted you to know the feelings of a concerned citizen on this matter.

I am registered to vote in Senate District H (Honorable Johnny Ellis) and House District 15 (Honorable Kay Brown)

Thank You again for the fine job you are doing for this great state. I have been a fan of yours ever since I have heard you speak at the college in Anchorage in 1973.

Sincerely,



David L. Rhine

cc: Honorable Johnny Ellis  
Honorable Kay Brown  
Honorable Jeanette James  
Honorable Loren Lehman  
Honorable Al Vczy  
Honorable Brian Porter  
Honorable Ron Larson  
Honorable Eileen MacLean  
Honorable Tom Fink

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Governor Walter J. Hickel  
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February 9 1994

Dear Sir:

As a resident of Alaska I am concerned about House Bill 351. I am strongly for Senate Joint Resolution 39. Please allow us Alaskans the right to carry a concealed weapon. I really believe that carrying a weapon out in the open is more of a distraction than a concealed weapon. My concern is for my wife and children, so please let us protect ourselves and our families like the Second Amendment of the U.S. Constitution States. Thank you for your time sir.

Paul C. Casto

CC: House of Rep.  
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NSB Mayor  
North Pole Mayor

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# Alaska State Legislature

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*I please support legislation which would allow properly-instructed, responsible women to carry concealed firearms. If it could be made common knowledge that a would-be assailant may well be left dying in a pool of his own blood, we presume that attacks upon women would dwindle to nearly zero!*

Signed: Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Girard  
 Testifier

Representing (Optional)

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# Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the H. STATE AFFAIRS  
committee name

committee on H.B-357, dated 2-15-94  
bill/subject

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Signed: Add - SHALL CHANGE \$15.

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FEBRUARY 12, 1994

DEAR ELECTED OFFICIAL,

I WOULD LIKE YOU TO SUPPORT, AS OUR ELECTED OFFICIAL, LAWMAKING THAT **GUARANTEES THE CITIZENS RIGHT TO KEEP & BEAR ARMS.** TO THE POINT, THAT LAW ABIDING CITIZENS MAY CARRY A CONCEALED WEAPON.

RE: BILL NO. 351 AND LOREN LEAMAN PETITION

YOU SEE, A LAW ABIDING CITIZEN WILL NOT BREAK THE LAW, WHETHER HE IS ARMED OR NOT. HOWEVER, I WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO CARRY A CONCEALED WEAPON, SO THAT, I CAN ~~PROTECT~~ MY FAMILY AND MYSELF, IF NEED BE, WITHOUT BREAKING THE LAW, FOR CARRYING A CONCEALED WEAPON.

A CONCERNED LAW ABIDING CITIZEN.

FRED MAESTAS  
(PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR)  
VOTER#05592950

CC:

SENATOR DON YOUNG  
SENATOR TED STEVENS  
SENATOR FRANK H. MURKOWSKI  
SENATOR RICK HALFORD  
GOVERNOR WALTER J. HICKEL  
REPRESENTATIVE RAMONA BARNES  
REPRESENTATIVE AL VEZEY  
REPRESENTATIVE RON LARSON  
REPRESENTATIVE LOREN LEAMAN  
REPRESENTATIVE JANETTE JAMES  
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MAYOR BRANNON ERNEST

February 13, 1994

FEB 14 1994

Governor Walter J. Hickel  
P.O. Box 110001 3rd Floor Capital Bldg.  
Juneau, AK 99811-0001

I appreciate your hard work and am proud of the things you have done for Alaska. As a concerned citizen I respectfully ask you to support House Bill 351. Citizens of Alaska should have the right to carry a licensed concealed weapon. It is inappropriate to carry a weapon where it is visible as it attracts attention and people become uncomfortable.

Why disarm the citizen, the potential victim? I would like to be able to defend myself from the criminal in accordance with my 2nd Amendment rights and the State Constitution.

Sincerely,



CC	Governor Hickel	463-3454
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	Ramona Barnes	465-4565
	Al Veezey	465-3258
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February 14, 1994

**Representative Al Vezey**  
House State Affairs Committee, Chair

Via FAX (907) 465-3258

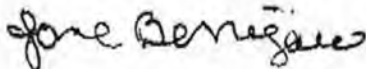
~~Re: SB237 and HB351; Concealed Weapons Licensing~~

Dear Rep. Vezey:

Enclosed is a letter I wrote to the Governor about the above bills. I think it is very important to pass them this year.

I hope you support us on this matter.

Sincerely,



Jane Berrigan

MEMORANDUM

DATE: 2-13-94

TO: HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

FROM: ED DERSHAM

RE: HB 351 & HJR 40

FEB 13 1994

FEB 14 1994

Dear State Affairs Committee member:

I attended the teleconference held Feb. 12 regarding HB 351 and HJR 40. Due to the large number of people signed up to testify I was unable to so I am faxing my comments to those of you on the committee. I am a retired federal narcotics agent having spent my career as a special agent for the Drug Enforcement Administration in California, Mexico and Alaska. During my career I participated in over 500 felony arrests, a large percentage of which involved suspects who were carrying concealed weapons while engaged in criminal activity. In my experience this % of armed suspects was higher in Alaska than in either California or Mexico.

I support both HB 351 and HJR 40. The increase in the number of law abiding, qualified citizens who can carry concealed weapons will serve as an effective deterrent to those who seek to commit violent crimes against persons and property. My son is currently attending college at Kings Pt. NY, just outside of New York city. He frequently rides the Long island railroad, getting on and off at the very station nearest to where the recent shooting massacre occurred. I worry about him being in a strict gun-control area like New York where such a shooting spree could take place without any hope of intervention by a legally armed private citizen.

A police officer in Ketchikan testified Saturday that her job would be made harder and more dangerous by not knowing whether every time she made a contact the person she was contacting might be armed. In my experience law enforcement officers face their greatest peril when they assume that those who they come in contact are not armed. Those who are engaged in crime are likely already carrying a concealed weapon in violation of the law.

HJR 40 is a positive step towards reaffirming the constitutional right of the individual to keep and bear arms. I am also faxing to you a document detailing comments of the founding fathers on this very issue. I urge your support for HB351 and HJR 40 and applaud the efforts of those of you who are working towards their passage.

During the current debate on gun control we frequently hear anti-gun advocates state that the second ammentment really wasn't directed towards protecting private ownership of firearms. Let's examine what some of the founding fathers had to say on this very issue:

NOAH WEBSTER: "the supreme power in America cannot enforce unjust laws by the sword. because the whole body of the people are armed, and constitute a force superior to any band of regular troops..." (1787)

PATRICK HENRY: "Guard with jealous attention the public liberty. Suspect everyone who approaches that jewel. Unfortunately, nothing will preserve it but downright force. Whenever you give up that force, you are ruined." (1788)

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN: "They that give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety." (1759)

THOMAS JEFFERSON: "No free man shall ever be debarred the use of arms." (1776)

"Laws that forbid the carrying of arms... disarm only those who are neither inclined nor determined to commit crimes... Such laws make things worse for the assaulted and better for the assailants: they serve rather to encourage than to prevent homicides , for an unarmed man may be attacked with greater confidence that an armed man." (1764)

JOHN ADAMS: "Arms in the hands of individual citizens may be used at individual discretion... in private self defense." (1787)

JAMES MADISON: "The constitution preserves the advantage of being armed which Americans possess over the people of almost every other nation... (where) the governments are afraid to trust the people with arms."

THOMAS PAINE: "...arms discourage and keep the invader and plunderer in awe, and preserve order in the world as well as property...HORRID mischief would ensue were the law abiding deprived of the use of them." (1775)

RICHARD HENRY LEE: "A militia when properly formed are in fact the people themselves... and include all men capable of bearing arms... To preserve liberty essential that the whole body of people always possess arms." (1788)

SAMUEL ADAMS: "The constitution shall never be construed to prevent the people of the United States who are peaceable citizens from keeping their own arms." (1788)

GEORGE MASON: "I ask, sir, what is the militia? It is the whole people... To disarm the people is the best and most effectual way to enslave them." (1788)

FEB 12 1994



# Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the Judiciary/Finance/State Affairs  
committee name  
committee on HB 351 / Concealed Weapons dated Feb 11, 94  
Bill/subject Permit.

To all Legislators of Alaska.

I fully support HB 351, and the 2nd amendment  
in the US constitution. Although if you are a  
convicted felon on probation you should not be  
allowed a permit. Cut out all the bureaucratic  
fill. And if you qualify there should be ~~no~~ waiting  
period. An inexpensive permit should be  
issued on the spot. And watch crime go down  
in Anch and the State.

Property tax is next. Concerned Citizen &  
Business Man

Signed. John W. Berglund  
Testifier  
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# Alaska State Legislature

FEB 10

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House State Affairs  
committee name

committee on HB 351 - Conceal Carry, dated 2-12-94  
bill/subject

(SEE ATTACHED SHEET)

Signed: Jill Skaw

Testifier

Kodiak Youth Task Force Committee

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February 11, 1994

Kodiak Youth Task Force Committee

Chairman Vezey  
House State Affairs Committee  
Re: HB 351

FEB 16 1994

Mr. Chairman:

We represent the Kodiak High School Advisory Youth Task Force sub-committee, which is composed of a cross section of Alaskan voters that are both parents and non-parents. We support HB 351 for the following reasons:

1. The provisions of this bill are in our view designed to lessen violent crime. One of our main concerns is making schools a zero tolerance zone for violence.
2. The certification aspect of this bill ensures the permit holder has competent knowledge to use a firearm as well as the knowledge of legal liability.
3. The photograph requirement of this HB 351, which mandates a photograph no more than 30 days older than the permit application date will enhance law enforcements ability to obtain a more timely and accurate photograph than is now provided by the Alaska Drivers License photo which because of the mail-in renewal aspect means that a DMV photo may be 10 to 20 years old on a current issue Drivers License or Identification card.
4. The valid time period of the permit being 3 years is more realistic and practical than what was found in Oregon's recent experience with a concealed weapons law. In Oregon the permit was valid for one year. It was found that the demand was so great that the application process became back logged to the point that by the time the applicant received his/ her permit the life was less than a year. Oregon has extended the time period beyond a year.
5. In addition it should be noted that Florida passed a concealed weapons law in 1987. Since the enactment of this law the rate of homicides involving firerams has been reduced by 21%.
6. A major concern of law enforcement officals is that armed citizens with concealed weapons pose a danger to police. In Oregon and else where there has been no documented evidence to substaniate this concern.
7. The only modification to HB 351 our committee would like to suggest is an addition to Sec. 18.65.753. PLACES WHERE PERMITTEE MAY NOT POSSES A CONCEALED WEAPON. to include all public and private schools in accordance with the Violation of the federal Gun Free School Zones Act of 1990, 18 U.S.C. Sect 922.

Jill Skaw  
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February 7, 1994

FEB 15 1994

Dear Governor Hickill

We as concern citizen know that it is our constitutional rights to be able to bear arms to protect ourselves, our families and property. If a person is not currently a convicted felon, murderer, incarcerated or in a mental institution he or she should be eligible to carry a concealed weapon. I am a role model and voting citizen. My voter's registration number is 6029958. I am currently in the U.S. Air Force, and is highly qualified to handle a weapon. But if necessary, to attain a weapon's permit I am willing to enroll in a National Rifleman's Association weapon handling course. It is pertinent that we as American citizens are able to protect ourselves. We want to disarm the criminals not the potential victims. We appreciate you taking time to read our deep concerns.

Sincerely,  
Thomas C Ramseur  
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Elmendorf AFB AK 99506  
(907) 753-3142

cc: Mayor Tom Fink  
Al Vevzy  
Brian Porter  
Ron Larson  
Jennette James  
Lorine Leman

February 7, 1994

FEB 16 1994

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Ror. Larson  
Jeannette James  
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David Birchell  
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FEB 16 1994

February 8th, 1994

Dear Mr. Vezy,

As a registered voter, I am writing in regards to Senate Bill 351 and Joint Resolution 39. As a respected citizen of this great country these particular bills put my freedoms at risk.

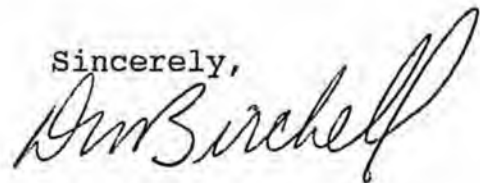
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Our great forefathers layed a strong and godly foundation for this great country. In our Constitution it says we are to bear arms-we are the people! We need to protect our families and loved ones from criminals. Guns are a tool that are to be used in such a way to protect and provide in a respected manner for ourselves and our property. It is not the guns that are bad it is the people that use the guns in the wrong way. I firmly believe that a criminal will think twice before breaking into someones home or pulling a gun in a McDonald's if he knows that we the good guys have an equalizer also.

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WE know you will pray and search your heart in this major decision that will effect us all.

Sincerely,



cc: Jeanette James  
Al Vezy  
Ron Larson

James Hayes  
Brian Porter



# Alaska State Legislature

FEB 16 1994

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committee name  
committee on HB351 / HJR 40, dated 2/12/94  
bill/subject

I'd Like To Go On Record As Being In Favor Of Both Bills, However I Think The Fees Are Excessive. I Was Present At The Teleconference Held On This Date. The Majority Of Those Who Testified Were In Favor Of The Bills. Two Who Were Opposed To The Bills Worked In Law Enforcement. The Police Should Consider Law Abiding Citizens As Allies Against The War On Crime. Lets Even The Odds By Letting Citizens Carry Concealed Weapons Not Just The Crooks. In My Oppinion, The Constitution Gives Me The Right To Keep And Bear Arms. These Bills Will Affirm That Right And Allow Me To Carry A Concealed Weapon To Defend Myself or Others Against Crime. The Media Is Quick To Tell Us All The Bad Things That Happen Involving Guns. I Challenge Them To Go On The Air With A Copy Of American Rifleman Magazine And Read The Armed Citizen section.

Signed: Jim Welch  
Testifier

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STATE OF ALASKA  
THE LEGISLATURE



LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AGENCY  
DIVISION OF PUBLIC SERVICES

FEB 16 1994

Legislative Information Office  
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DATE: February 14, 1994

Please accept the enclosed original(s) of written testimony for  
the House State Affairs teleconference hearing that was  
scheduled on 2/11/94.

A copy of this testimony was transmitted to your committee via fax  
on 2/14/94.

Thank you,

E. A. Sarver  
Elizabeth A. Sarver  
Information Officer

Enclosures: 5



# Alaska State Legislature

FEB 16 1994

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House State Affairs  
committee name

committee on HR 351 & HJR 40, dated 2-12-94  
bill/subject

Concerning H.B. 351  
I don't think this bill goes far enough  
Concerning Concealed Carry in the larger  
cities of ALASKA. I live in a rural area  
often travelling with my family to the  
large cities in ALASKA, will I be in  
violation of ALASKA Law carrying a  
weapon in these cities even if I  
have obtained a Permit if 351 passes?  
This needs to be Addressed and  
Clarified.

Signed: Paul A. Getty  
Testifier

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# Alaska State Legislature

FEB 16 1994

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House State Affairs  
committee name  
committee on HJR 40/HB 351, dated 02/12/94  
bill/subject

I would like to support the passage of HJR 40; and  
HB 351 that would allow every decent, law abiding  
citizen of Alaska an opportunity to carry a weapon  
in a concealed manner. We must be able to defend  
ourselves against the threats of criminals. Unless a person  
is a convicted criminal, or judged as mentally incapable,  
it should be mandatory that they be given the chance to meet  
violations of their lives with at least an equal chance of survival.  
The criminals are armed - all we ask is an ability to obtain,  
by choice, a permit to arm ourselves against them. Also, I think  
that a fee for a right is questionable. Driving is a privilege, as  
is hunting, and a license fee is appropriate. I see too easy a jump ~~from~~  
from paying more than an administrative fee for a carry permit; to paying for  
the right to ~~keep~~ firearms in any manner. The next  
step would be paying  
for other  
constitutional  
rights.

Signed: Paul & Joyce Karczmarczyk  
Testifier

Paul & Joyce Karczmarczyk  
Representing (Optional)

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Thank you for  
being so  
interested in  
preserving our  
freedoms.



# Alaska State Legislature

FEB 16 1994

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House State Affairs  
 committee name  
 committee on HB 351 CCW, dated 2-12-94  
 and <sup>bill/subject</sup> HB 40

unequivocally, without reservation, support both!  
 Alaska is no longer a (last) frontier - open  
 fire arm carry is impractical - CCW permit is  
 indicative of a higher level of civilization. Having  
 lived in many states of the US, I have never  
 before been deprived of a CCW permit. This  
 provision is long overdue.

HB 40 is merely a restatement and  
 reinforcement of an existing right guaranteed  
 by the US Constitution. Please act upon both

Thank you

Signed: Kenneth E Farlow Kenneth E FARLOW  
 Testifier

NRA Grassroots / concerned local citizens  
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# Alaska State Legislature

FEB 16 1994

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House State Affairs committee name

committee on HB-351 and HJR-40 dated Feb 12 1994

*When I say concerns:*  
*Testimony in reference to HB 351 and HJR 40.*

*Bill 351 has many problems, the \$100.00 registration fee is a problem in itself as it opens the door to larger fees.*

*What is to stop the state from raising it from \$100.00 to \$5000.00 or even to \$50,000.00 if it wants to stop people from obtaining permits?*

*The part about taking finger prints or any other means of identification could and will be used against the people by OTHER GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES IN THE FUTURE.*

*The part about mental illness is a dilemma.*  
*Depending on the psychiatrists opinion anyone can be mentally ill according to Government Standards.*

*In my opinion this bill is just the beginning of ARMS CONTROL after all CONTROL OF IT'S PEOPLE IS WHAT THE GOVERNMENT IS ALL ABOUT.*

*Next it will be REGISTERING ALL GUNS AND THE REST OF THE STORY WILL BE TO TURN THEM ALL IN.*

*This bill contradicts HJR-40 by infringing against the RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS.*  
*A better solution to Bill 351 which is about a complete ZERO needs to be taken to the shredder.*

*Bill No 40 could be a complete solution to Bill 351 with a few minor changes as follows:*

*NO 40. SECTION 19. RIGHT TO KEEP AND BEAR ARMS a well regulated militia being necessary to the security of a FREE STATE AS LONG AS THE MILITIA IS THE FREE CITIZEN OF THE STATE AND NOT THE MILITARY, POLICE, BATE, FEMA OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed.*

*The individual right to keep and bear arms NO MATTER WHAT SHAPE OR FORM CONCEALED OR NOT shall not be denied or infringed by the State or Political subdivision of the State.*

Signed: *James Osterman*  
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FEB 16 1994

# Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House State Affairs committee name

committee on HB 351 & HJR 440, dated February 12, 1994

bill/subject

I was, unfortunately, able to testify at today's tele-conference on HB 351 and joint resolution #40. I would have said to you that I support these two bills because they are needed. If you legislators have any sense of respect for civil rights in this country then you owe it to yourselves and your constituency to strengthen gun ownership in this state. Thirty seven other states have strengthened the right to carry concealed by extending the law to include law abiding citizens who have no criminal past. Alaska's passage of these bills would send the message that is needed to go out to citizens of this state and nationally that Alaska and the nation still trust its citizenry. President Clinton and his policies would never have been elected dog catcher in the free state of Alaska. No matter what lip service the elected Democratic party members in this state pay to his administration, they, to a man, know that inwardly that this President is propped up by international interests that is not in sympathy with main stream thinking in Alaska. I will vote against any legislator who votes against these two bills. So will a lot of other people. This is not a threat, it is a promise. Citizens rights are increasingly trampled underfoot by a burgeoning bureaucracy funded by the oil revenue. Keep Alaska free. Vote to pass these two bills.

Signed: Charles M. Larue

Testifier

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FEB 16 1994

Darcy Birchell  
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February 8th, 1994

Dear Mr. Vezy,

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Sincerely,

*Darcy  
Birchell*

cc: Jeanette James  
Al Vezy  
Ron Larson

James Hayes  
Brian Porter



# Alaska State Legislature

FEB 10 1994

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House State Affairs  
committee name

committee on HJR-40 & HB 351, dated 2-12-94  
bill/subject

HJR-40 Fully in FAVOR OF HJR-40, AS PROPOSED, I RECOMMEND  
ADOPTION OF HJR-40.

HB-351 Strongly in FAVOR OF HB 351, WITH THE FOLLOWING  
CONCERNS:

- SEC 18.65.755 (a) AS WRITTEN, I FEEL IT IS TOO  
VAGUE & RESTRICTIVE IN LANGUAGE. (EXAMPLE, I COULD NOT GO TO DMV  
FOR LICENSE RENEWAL WHILE CARRYING). I ALSO FEEL THAT A  
CLAUSE LIMITING POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS FROM FURTHER RESTRICTIONS  
NEEDS TO BE INCLUDED.

- SEC 18.65.720 FEES SEEM TO BE OUT OF LINE WITH REALITY  
(EXAMPLE, SINGLE PARENT OR LIMITED INCOME PARENTS). REQUEST A  
STRONG REVIEW OF ACTUAL COSTS.

- SEC AS 11.61.220 (a) (2) CAN NOT POSSESS LOADED WEAPON ANY  
PLACE WHERE ALCOHOL FOR CONSUMPTION IS ALLOWED. (MY CONCERN  
IS THIS PROHIBITS CONCEALED WEAP in ONE OF THE MAJOR AREAS  
WHERE POTENTIAL VIOLENCE IS LIKELY TO OCCUR. (EXAMPLE - MOST EVERY  
BAR, ROAD HOUSE, RESTAURANT, CAFE in STATE).

Signed: THOMAS A GORHAM Tom Gorham

Testifier ARMY VETERAN

(SELF)

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# Alaska State Legislature

FEB 11 1994

Please enter into the record my testimony to the HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE  
HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS  
committee name

committee on HB 351 / Conceal/Carry, dated February 12, 1994  
bill/subject

I WANT TO GO ON RECORD AS SUPPORTING HB 351 I AS A  
LAWABIDING CITIZEN BELIEVE IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE  
UPHOLD OUR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS. I THANK  
YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND SUPPORT ON THIS ISSUE.

THE ONLY AREA I HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT IS THE FEE  
AREA OF THE BILL. I DO NOT UNDERSTAND THE  
REASON FOR THE HIGH COST OF APPLYING FOR A PERMIT.  
I UNDERSTAND THE COST OF BACKGROUND CHECKS AND ON  
A PERSON APPLYING, HOWEVER IN THE DAY AND AGE OF  
COMPUTERS I DO NOT BELIEVE THE COST OF THE  
~~BACK CHECK~~ BACKGROUND CHECK.

Keith SWARNER

Signed: Keith Swarner KEITH SWARNER  
Testifier

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# Alaska State Legislature

FEB 1 8 1992

Please enter into the record my testimony to the House State Affairs  
committee name

committee on HB-357 - SJR-40, dated 2-11-92  
bill/subject

I agree that the Individual Has the right to  
Own and bear Arms.

As for HB 357 - I feel that we should have  
the right to carry a concealed weapon.

without all the stipulation. If you are a  
prosecuted felon of a violent crime, than you  
should not be able to carry a weapon.

But Anybody else has the right for self  
protection for themselves and family.

Also the price to obtain the permit it way  
too high - it should be around 25<sup>00</sup> or less

Signed: Thinky R Aubrey  
Testifier

Self  
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# Alaska State Legislature

FEB 18 1994

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committee name

committee on H.B. #351 & #40, dated 2/12/94  
bill/subject

I would like to do on Record again in  
Favor of the above two Bills. Almost 100%  
of the people heard this morning have been  
in Favor of the Bills. It is time to  
Listen to the people. Thank-you.

Signed: James W. Hill  
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# Alaska State Legislature

465-3258

FEB 1 1994  
House Judiciary Comm  
House State Affairs  
committee name

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committee on CS HB 351, dated Feb 12, 94  
bill/subject

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Exemption to members of The organized + unorganized militia. This  
Language should be reinstated!

Signed: Lynn Levengood  
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 committee name  
 committee on HB351 & HJR40, dated 2-12-94  
 bill/subject

I SUPPORT BOTH HB351 & HJR40  
 PERMIT FEES SHOULD BE \$10<sup>00</sup>  
 AND LIFE TIME ~~BE~~ EFFECTIVE UPON ISSUANCE  
 AND UNLESS REVOKED.

I CAUTION YOU TO NOT MAKE TOO MANY  
 EXCEPTIONS TO THE ABILITY ON PLACES  
 TO CARRY A WEAPON.

THANKS FOR YOUR IMMEDIATE  
 PASSAGE TO THE FLOOR OF THIS BILL.

Signed: Gary R. KQ GARY R. KUHAI  
 Testifier

US CITIZEN

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# Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the H S T A  
 committee name  
 committee on HJR 40 + HB 351, dated 2/12/94  
 bill/subject

*Favor the above bills - preventive measures to  
 make the criminal hesitate in attacking individuals,  
 just knowing that there is a possibly possibility  
 of armed resistance - favor the requirements for  
 gun safety training -*

Signed: Luille J. Frey  
 Testifier

a large family who shares the same opinion  
 Representing (Optional)

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Dear Governor Hickill

FEB 17 1994 Feb 16, 1994

I am writing you this letter to let you know I support House Bill 351 and Senate Bill 237. I have a family just like you and I would like to have the right to protect them against some of the craziness in this world. I appreciate the attention you have given these bills and ask for your support on them. Thank you for all the hard work you do.

FEB 17 1994

Sincerely,

Lester Black  
7705 Regal Mt. Dr.  
Anchorage, AK 99504  
(907)333-0919

Voter Reg. No. 4889269

cc: Mayor Fink, Senator Kelly, Representative Ramona Barnes, Senator Loren Leeman, Jeanette Jones, Al Vezey (State Affairs Committee), Brian Porter (Judiciary Committee), Ron Larson (Finance Committee)

FEB 17 1994

Dear Governor Mickill

Feb 16, 1994

I would like to thank you for all the effort you have put into this beautiful state of ours. As a born Alaskan, I take pride in knowing that my vote counts in developing our local government.

The reason for this letter is to express my support for House Bill 351 and Senate Bill 237. I am a 24yr old mother with a 14mth old son. There are many times in the day and in the evenings that I am without my husbands protection. I am a law-abiding citizen and have been around guns for protection or hunting since I was a little girl. My husband and I would like to bring up our son with the same respect for firearms as we have.

The idea of not having that right as a woman, and/or having to carry a purse, a baby diaper bag, then hooking a holster to my waist on my dress in order to carry protection is not to my advantage. I believe revealing a weapon would only ensight more criminal activity; by tempting someone to cause me physical harm by trying to steal the weapon from me. The solution of placing the weapon in my purse (now becoming a "concealed weapon") seems more logical. The issue of carrying a concealed weapon is meant solely for the purpose of protection.

Sincerely,

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Voter Reg. No. 6258439

cc: Mayor Fink, Senator Kelly, Representative Ramona Barnes, Senator Loren Leeman, Jeanette Jones, Al Vezey (State Affairs Committee), Brian Porter (Judiciary Committee), Ron Larson (Finance Committee)

FEB 17 1994



# Alaska State Legislature

FEB 18 1994

Please enter into the record my testimony to the State Affairs  
 committee name  
 committee on HB 351, dated 9 Feb 94  
 bill/subject

I have read the bill "An Act relating to the issuance of permits for the carrying of a concealed weapon" and wish your positive consideration to pass this bill. As a single woman who has taken an NRA personal protection class, and I would apply for a concealed permit. As I travel around Alaska on business (painting and teaching quilting) I would feel more comfortable with being able to carry a concealed pistol.

Signed: Ann-Lillian C. Schell

Testifier

Ann-Lillian C. Schell

Representing (Optional)

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# Alaska State Legislature

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committee name

committee on HJR 40 / HB 351, dated Feb. 12, 1994.  
bill/subject

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Signed: Jim H. Campbell *Jim H. Campbell*  
Testifier

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# Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the HOUSE STATE OF AFFAIRS  
committee name

committee on HOUSE BILL NO. 351, dated 02/18/94  
bill/subject

I AM IN FAVOR OF PASSING HOUSE BILL NO. 35. ALASKA IS LONG OVERDUE FOR A CONCEALED WEAPON PERMIT SYSTEM. ALASKA CURRENTLY ENJOYS A LOW CRIME RATE IN MUCH OF THE STATE, IF CITIZENS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO LEGALLY CARRY THE MEANS OF PROTECTING THEMSELVES WE WILL SEE THE CRIME RATE RISE. I AM EMPLOYED AS A CORRECTIONAL OFFICER, AS SUCH I OFTEN ENCOUNTER THREATS TO MYSELF AND MY FAMILY. IT IS CURRENTLY ILLEGAL FOR ME TO CARRY A CONCEALED WEAPON OFF DUTY. WHEN I AM OUT WITH MY FAMILY, THE WEIGHT OF THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PROTECTING THEM WITH MY BARE HANDS AGAINST THE POSSIBILITY OF ARMED AND/OR MULTIPLE ATTACKERS IS ENORMOUS. I USED TO RUN A TOWING BUSINESS, MANY TIMES DURING THE COURSE OF MY WORK IT WOULD HAVE BEEN COMFORTING TO HAVE A LEGAL MEANS OF PROTECTING MYSELF. INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE WELL EQUIPED TO DEAL WITH A POTENTIALLY VIOLENT SITUATION ARE MORE CALM AND LESS LIKELY TO PANIC THAN SOME ONE WHO IS NOT EQUIPED. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE TIME FRAME FOR ISSUING PERMITS REDUCED FROM 90 DAYS TO 30 DAYS. THE PERMITS SHOULD NEVER BE FOR A SPECIFIC WEAPON EITHER. JUST SIMPLY A GENERIC PERMIT TO CARRY.

Signed:

TOM HAIN

Testifier

Representing (Optional)

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FEB 10 1994



# Alaska State Legislature

Please enter into the record my testimony to the HSTA  
 committee name  
 committee on HR 351 dated 2-12-94 Teleconference  
 bill/subject

This is a great piece of legislation to legislate a practice which is done through out the state at this time but is against the law.

As a dog musher I am out running and training my dogs on many different trails here on the Kenai.

Many mushers carrying a small hand-gun for self-protection for themselves and their dogs and also as a survival weapon in case there is a serious accident of some type.

The only way a gun can be carried comfortable is close to the body in a shoulder or hips holster. This makes it a concealed weapon! This forces every musher to make the decision whether to risk their lives and their dogs lives or break the law and protect themselves.

In passing this legislation you will be giving peace-of-mind to alot of law abiding citizens.

Signed: Steven J Banse

Testifier

Dog Musher

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File  
HB 351

## RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Right To Keep And Bear Arms is a right granted to all citizens of the United States and Alaska under the U.S. and Alaskan Constitutions, and

WHEREAS this Right To Keep And Bear Arms has been endorsed in the Platform of the Republican Party for many years, and

WHEREAS the Republican Party of Alaska recognizes the need for Alaskans to have the means available to them for self-protection, and

WHEREAS the Republican Party of Alaska is concerned that in other parts of the country, the Right To Keep And Bear Arms is under attack, and citizens are being denied the ability to lawfully possess firearms for their individual and common defense, and

WHEREAS the Alaska Legislature presently has before it several bills which will allow Alaskans to amend their Constitution to clarify that the Right To Keep And Bear Arms is a right of the individual, and which will allow law-abiding citizens the opportunity to obtain a permit to carry a firearm concealed for all lawful purposes, NOW THEREFORE

The Republican Party Of The State Of Alaska, through its Central Committee, assembled in Anchorage, Alaska this 26th day of February, 1994, requests the Alaskan Legislature to speedily pass STR 39 and HB 351 ensuring Alaskans have the right to amend their Constitution to guarantee their individual Right To Keep And Bear Arms, and their right to carry these firearms lawfully concealed.



**STATE OF ALASKA**  
**LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AGENCY**  
DIVISION OF PUBLIC SERVICES

FEB 28 1994

DATE: 2-25-94

Please accept the enclosed original(s) of written testimony for the House State Affairs Committee teleconference hearing that was scheduled on 2-24-94.

A copy of this testimony was transmitted to your committee via fax on 2-24-94.

Thank you,

Kodiak WO - Tina

FEB 28 1994

Statement faxed to the House State Affairs Committee by teleconference February 24, 1994.

My name is Rexene Olson, I represent my family, Kodiak Island Sportsman's Association and Kodiak Island NRA Grassroots.

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I believe that this statement sums up everything that I have presented to this committee since HJR 40 and HB351.

Thank you for being in support of these two bills.

Rexene Olson  
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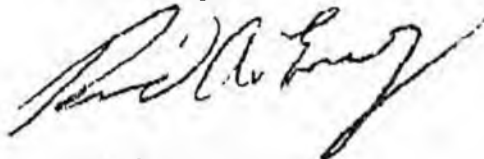
To: State House Legislative Committee currently debating HB 351

I believe that HB-351 will be a most effective way to reduce the incidence of violent crime. I have read and understand the bill and agree with its content. It is critical to a free society that its citizens are able to uphold a state of reasonable behavior without the intervention of government. An armed society is a very polite one.

Please find the wisdom to pass HB-351 and continue to uphold and protect the rights given to us in the 2nd amendment of the United States constitution .

Thank you for considering this most refreshingly sane and sensible legislation.

adamantly,



David A. Emery

Sterling, Ak.