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**Louie Flora**

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**From:** mike danz [danz@pobox.mtaonline.net]

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 3:22 PM

**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton

**Subject:** against hb438

Mr. Seaton,  
Please remove hb 438 from all consideration. the present system works just fine.  
Sincerely,  
Mike Danz  
Palmer, AK

3/15/2006

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** John [jhdata@international-data.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 4:01 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** NO ON HB 438 !!!

NO ON HB 438 !! Were angry as heil you men tried to take our right to petition..... because you think YOU know whats best for we children of the state **and now this** !! We don not want our voices stilled by those we elect to represent us.....your there to speak for us.....not in spite of us !

John Hinzle 25 yr resident of this once great state.

DO NOT SUPPORT THIS UPON PERIL OF YOUR CONSTITUANT GRANTED OFFICE

3/15/2006

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Allan Stowe [astowe@gci.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 2:12 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

Representative Seaton,

I want you to know that we are totally against any changes to the present language on "Recalls and Petitions".

We are registered voters in Meadow Lakes 15-115 and strongly feel that if something is working don't monkey with it.

Allan Stowe Voter#05851604

Jean J. Stowe Voter#05851615

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** kwells@mtaonline.net  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 11:49 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

Dear Representative Seaton,

I am writing to oppose HB 438.

Changing the rules for petitions to recall an elected official is a blatant attempt to block a citizens right to recall a legislator.

It is difficult enough to work your way through the process of petitioning to recall. There has only been one legislator that has reached the ballot stage of a recall since statehood, almost 50 years. I would say that the current system is working. We don't need another law or a revamping of the current procedures.

Thank you.  
Kathy Wells  
Palmer, AK

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**From:** jleerex [jleerex@matnet.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 12:13 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

The Honorable Representative Seaton:

I am shocked that the corruptness of the State of Alaska has reached this stage to the point where we may not even be permitted to recall a legislator.

I have a right to question your actions, and the actions of your colleagues.

Do not permit this bill to get out of committee!

We have the right to petition our government and to have elections, rather than appointments, to positions of elective office!

Thank you for hearing my point of view on this matter,

Gerald Rexrod

Veteran

Retired

Republican

Wasilla

907-373-7799

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Mike Bishop [mbishop@mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 12:54 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

Sir,

HE 438

Having watched the Ogan recall effort with considerable interest, I cannot believe that this process should be made even more complicated.

I am against all the provisions of HB 438.

One wonders at the motive of those who sponsor such a bill.

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Mike Bishop  
Willow, Alaska

907/495-5737

mbishop@mtaonline.net

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Jeff Fair [fairwinds@briloon.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 12:18 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** No to HB 438

Representative Seaton:

HB 438 threatens another strike against our democracy. Things are working just fine as they are, and politicians have no reason to make it even harder for citizens to respond to them.

I'm totally against the content and intent of this bill.

Thanks for listening,

Jeff Fair

P.O. Box 2947  
Palmer, AK 99645

907-745-1522

Lazy Mtn. district

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Carl Reese [cd\_reese@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 12:16 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** Recall

Dear Representative Seaton,

I am emailing you because you are the State Affairs Committee Chair. Please do not support the bill introduced by Rep. Ramras (HB 438) to increase the number of signatures needed for recall from 10% to 20%. Alaska has not had an undue number of recalls and the only one we have had was successful.

Democracy worked in that event. Thank you for your consideration.

Carl Reese  
4485 N Douglas Highway  
Juneau, AK 99801

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**From:** David Holladay [shrinkdr@pobox.mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 12:04 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

**Dear Rep. Seaton,**  
I am writing to express my opposition to HB 438 in its entirety. Leave well enough alone. There is no need to make things more difficult. The present system works quite well.

Sincerely,

David Holladay  
Pob 1814  
Palmer, Alaska 99645

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**From:** Lars & Angelika Opland [zdk@mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 1:27 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

Dear Representative Seaton,

It's come to my attention that Representative Ramras of Fairbanks has introduced HB 438 which, as I understand it, would make recall of corrupt or incompetent legislators more difficult if not impossible.

This should go the way of the dodo bird & the plan to make citizen initiatives more difficult to achieve: extinction. The citizens of Alaska are already far removed from effective participation in our own government, both physically & legally; more distance isn't necessary or constructive.

And what do we want with corrupt, incompetent, unfit or neglectful representatives, anyway? How many of these adjectives describe Rep. Ramras, that he is so keen to more narrowly define them?

Sincerely, Lars Opland

P.O. Box 875638  
Wasilla, Alaska 99687

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**From:** Randy Carter [jrc@alaska.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 11:38 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** Vote No on H.B. 438!

House State Affairs Committee  
Rep. Paul Seaton, Chair

Dear Rep. Seaton,

H.B. 438 (relating to initiative, referendum, and recall petitions) is a bad bill and should NOT be reported out of committee!

In regard to recall petitions, there has only been one legislator that has reached the ballot stage of recall since statehood. The current system is, if anything, too restrictive. There is certainly no need to make it even more restrictive!

It is obvious that the reason Rep. Rarras is trying to change the law is to insure that the will of the people can be ignored. In regard to recalls, the bill is a blatantly cynical attempt to ensure that no politician, however corrupt, incompetent, negligent or unfit, will remain in office.  
Enough!

Sincerely,

James R. Carter  
P.O. Box 974  
Willow, AK

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** chris pappas [e\_ginmoss@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 11:37 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** hb438

Though I wasn't surprised I must say I was disgusted.  
Don't you  
guys ever get tired of being walk'ng stereotypes?  
I find hb 438 ill  
advised and am completel, against it.

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**From:** Laura Van Diest [mysticak@mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 11:32 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** Against HB 438

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Green

Rep. Seaton,

I understand your State Affairs committee is holding hearings on Jay Ramras' bill to change the current Petitions and Recalls Law. Please be advised that I am against ANY changes to the existing statutes. Please do not let this bill leave your committee.

Laura Van Diest  
P.O.Box 331  
Sutton, AK 99674  
907-745-0534

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Butch Allen [butch@akcenter.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 10:38 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** No on HB438!

Representative Seaton,  
I email to simply request that the state not move forward with HB438 regarding recalls. Its just plain bad for business. Thanks,

Butch Allen

807 G Street, Suite 100  
Anchorage, AK 99501  
907-274-3647

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**From:** The Alaskan Wilderness [vip64587@customcpu.com]

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 10:34 AM

**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton

**Subject:** Re: hb438

Please use whatever power you have to stop the proposed hb438. There is nothing wrong with the current bill so why try to change it? One wonders why, once again, the powers that be are trying to fix something that isn't broken.

Jeannette Keida

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** brandon moore [happydawg\_ak@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 10:06 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** House Bill 438

Dear Chair Seaton,

I would like it on record that I am totally opposed to the entire HB438, that is now in your committee. There is nothing wrong with our current system or law pertaining to recalls. I cannot believe that this bill is even being brought forward considering all of the things that really do need attention.

Rep. Ramras needs to get a grip. I represented my country in Iraq, Mr. Ramras needs to represent Alaskans and not politicians, here in Alaska.

sincerely,

Spc. Brandon Seth Moore  
(U.S Army Reserves)

P.O.Box 877177  
Wasilla, AK 99687

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**From:** Randy Virgin [randy@akcenter.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 10:17 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** Opposed to HB438 (recalls)

Dear Representative Seaton:

I am writing to respectfully share my disagreement with HB 438, a proposed bill to make it more difficult for citizens to recall a state legislator. While I certainly understand that any legislator may initially like this concept for reasons of self preservation, I would argue that citizen checks and balances are critical to a well-functioning democracy.

In fact, only one state legislator has ever been scheduled for a recall election in Alaska's history. It seems that the bar for a recall is plenty high enough already. This bill looks like a solution looking for a problem.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Randy Virgin  
Anchorage

3/15/2006

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**From:** Donna and Bill [dmarks@mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 10:00 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** \*\*\*\*\*SPAM\*\*\*\*\* Bad Bill HB 438  
**Importance:** High

Honorable Representative Paul Seaton,

Thank you for the opportunity to voice our concern re: HB 438, that is before you at this time.

As a life-long Alaskan (55 years), born in Southeast Alaska, and a registered Republican, I am opposed to any legislation that reduces the ability of the Peoples' Voice to be heard in Juneau. HB 438 is one that does just that!

Shame on its sponsor and anyone who would consider this proposed Bill to be anything but another attempt to remove the Peoples' voice from our government.

Redefining the recall process is not needed. The recall process works.

I honestly believe that any attack on the recall process is another pathetic and obvious attempt of the misdirected Alaska Republican party to create a government that is run by the elitists for the elitists.

Again, I am opposed to any changes to the current recall process.

Thank you,  
Donna Marks

P.O. Box 329  
Willow, Alaska 99688  
(907) 495-0149  
Fax: (907) 495-0150  
E-mail: [dmarks@mtaonline.net](mailto:dmarks@mtaonline.net)

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**From:** Sally [salgreek@mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 9:58 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

This is not a necessary bill. Nothing is broken about the old procedure: why change it. Please dump HB 438.  
Sally Hitchcock , Palmer, Alaska

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Pat Madigan [mailto:pma@pobox.mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 9:41 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

Mr Seaton,

I strongly oppose this Bill (HB438).

Our politicians do not need any more protection than they already have.

People do not initiate recall petitions frivolously, so what is the justification for this bill?

Thank you.

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Pat Madigan  
Willow, Alaska

907/425-5737

pma@pobox.mtaonline.net

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Emily Doherty [emily@akcenter.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 9:47 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** \*\*\*\*\*SPAM\*\*\*\*\* HB 438 BAD NEWS

State Affairs Chairman, Representative Paul Seaton  
Alaska State Legislature  
Juneau, AK

Dear Rep. Paul Seaton,

Please do not pass House Bill 438. In a time when, if anything, our government needs more checks and balances when it comes to corruption, it's irresponsible to pass a bill which makes it even more difficult to recall a legislator. The law doesn't need to be changed to make it nearly impossible to recall someone. The present system works very well. In the almost fifty years since statehood, there has only been one recall that has reached the ballot stage.

Thank you for all your hard work,

Emily Doherty

1325 O Street, #2  
Anchorage, AK 99501  
(907)258-2558

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**From:** Barbara McDaniel [bom@alaska.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 9:56 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** NO on HB 438

I want the law on recalls and petitions to remain as is.

Barbara McDaniel  
1040 N Craig Stadler Loop  
Wasilla, AK 99654

373-6977

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Chris Whittington-Evans [whitevan@mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 9:16 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB438

Dear Representative Seaton,

This note is to inform you of my opposition to HB438, an attempt to rewrite the process of recalling a legislator. This bill would make it virtually impossible for citizens to oust a representative who has gone astray. The current requirements are tough enough. Please do what you can to keep this bill from moving forward.

Sincerely,  
Chris Whittington-Evans  
Palmer, Alaska

## Louie Flora

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**From:** Helene M. Antel [hma@mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 9:13 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** \*\*\*\*\*SPAM\*\*\*\*\* HB 438

**Importance:** High

Dear Rep. Seaton:

Please consider my concerns regarding HB 438.

We, the people of Alaska do not elect our representatives to the state legislature so that they can go to Juneau and eviscerate our rights, thank you. There is no need for the legislation you have proposed whatsoever; except to protect bad politicians. Indeed, there are far more important and pressing issues that need to be addressed by our state government than ways to make it more difficult for the people to express their disapproval of someone they elected to serve them. I would much prefer it if you would direct your attention to something more meaningful for the people of Alaska.

There is no good reason whatsoever to raise the qualifying threshold of people voting in the previous election needed to sign the petition, or to change the definitions set forth in the law to make it more difficult for a politician to be recalled

Please leave my rights alone and worry instead about crafting a sustainable budget for our great state.

Thank you for seriously considering my objections to HB 438.

*Helene*

*Helene M. Antel*  
Attorney at Law  
12050 E. Lady Slipper Lane, Palmer, Alaska 99645  
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**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Sue Bailey [akgardengirl@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 9:19 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

Dear Rep. Seaton,

I am totally against any changes on Recall and Petitions. It is difficult enough to recall incompetent legislators. Please leave the recall process the way it is now. House bill 438 needs to be stopped.

Sincerely,

Susan K. Bailey

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Jackie Endsley [jendsley@lbew1547.Org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 8:36 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

I believe the present laws on Recalls and Petitions work just fine. One must already put a significant amount of effort into this process—we don't need to make it any more difficult than it already is.

I am against HB438.

Jackie Endsley  
Community Relations Coordinator  
3333 Denali St., Suite 200  
Anchorage, AK 99503  
(907) 777-7257  
(907) 777-7264 (fax)

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Pamela G. Murray [bluedog@mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 8:29 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

REGARDING HB 438.....JUST LEAVE IT ALONE.....IT WORKS  
THE WAY IT IS!  
Alaska

Pamela G. Murray, Wasilla,

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Kitty Benson [kitty\_benson@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 8:22 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

Dear Mr. Seaton:

This letter is to advise you that I am opposed to HB438. I do not see any reason to make changes to the recall and petitions laws.

Sincerely,  
Kitty P. Benson

Kitty P. Benson, MLS  
Houston Middle School  
phone: 907-892-9500  
email: Kitty\_Benson@Yahoo.com

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**From:** Sue Gibbs [akwildiris@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 8:21 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

Representative Seaton, I am writing to ask you to please see that HB 438 does not leave your committee. This bill is not needed, it is hard enough already to recall anyone. There is no reason to make it more difficult! Please reject this bill in it's entirety!! Thank you!

Susan Gibbs  
P.O. Box 871116  
781 McMillan Ct.  
Wasilla, AK 99687

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**Louie Flora**

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**From:** john vinduska [jvinduska@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 7:53 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton

Dear Rep. Seaton,

I would like to comment on HB 438 the recall bill. I was involved in the only recall effort that made it to the ballot stage since statehood. I know from experience that it is very hard process and very few people are willing to put that much effort. With more and more corruption in government now days we don't need a law to make it impossible to rid the halls in Juneau of these individuals that should not be in state government. I see no rush to recall representatives just for a disagreement in policy. I hope this bill is killed!

Thank you

John Vinduska

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Warren Keogh [warrenkeogh@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 5:18 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** Comment - HB 438

Dear Representative Seaton:

There is plenty enough for the Legislature to do without spending its valuable time fixing something that is not broken. HB 438, which regards recalls and petitions, belongs in the dustbin. In your capacity as Chair of the State Affairs Committee, please put it there. Thanks.

Warren Keogh  
P.O. Box 1166  
Chickaloon, AK 99674

3/15/2006

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** John and Ruth [jsandr@matnet.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 12:55 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

Dear Representative Seaton:

I wish to express my strong opposition to HB 438, by Representative Ramras: "An Act relating to initiative, referendum, and recall petitions; and providing for an effective date."

In recent years, the power of the people to petition the State government to "seek redress of grievances" has been steadily ~~been~~ weakened. Legislators have consolidated power at the expense of the general public, and at the expense of our democratic system. It has also lead to legislation that is not in the public interest.

Healthy debate, consideration of diverse views, and stakeholder and public participation is good for democracy and generally leads to good public policy. Shutting out the public and catering to special interests or blindly clinging to an ideology, conversely, leads to bad public policy.

Rep. Ramras' bill makes it more difficult for the public to be heard, both in terms of ballot initiatives and in holding legislators accountable. It diminishes the capability of the governed to participate in the decisions that affect them. It is a bad bill, and I hope that you will act to bury it.

Thank you.

John Strassenburgh  
PO Box 766  
Talkeetna, AK 99676

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**Louie Flora**

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**From:** dick [dpalmatier@webtv.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 11:55 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB438

Don't--I repeat, don't attempt to pass this bill. The whole legislature has lost most of it's credibility and this bill will further erode any credibility you have left. It will bite you back someday if a democrat behaves as unethically as Scott Ogan did. Can't you see that the voters are tired of the Murkowski way of conducting government and this bill will be one more reason to vote many republicans out of office?

Think!!!!

RC Palmatier, Willow Ak.

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Tom K [tomk@mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 11:08 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** POM against hb438

Rep Seaton,

I oppose any law or change to existing law that would make Alaska's recall process more difficult.

Why make a process designed to give people the ability to recall an elected official more difficult when there is no record of abuse of the law as it now stands?

I am against hb438 period!

Tom Kluberton  
Talkeetna, Alaska  
(907) 733-1457

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** claire fitzgaireld [clea@mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 11:01 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

I am adamantly opposed to HB 438. The system we have now for recalling unfit people works very well and there is no need to change it. This is just one more attempt to deny Alaskans the opportunity to voice their concern about what is going on in Juneau.

I urge you to not let this bill leave your committee. I am a Sr. citizen who has never missed voting in an election and I do follow the events in Juneau very closely.

Claire R. Fitzgaireld  
Willow, AK

## Louie Flora

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**From:** Alma & Christian M Hartley [hartley@myopinionmatters.org]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 10:40 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

I am absolutely 100% adamantly opposed to proposed HB 438. There is no reason at all to change the way recall elections occur. Recall is a constitutional guarantee on both the federal and state levels, as well as municipal. The current system works so well at preventing frivolous recalls that only one person has ever been even put up for a recall election and even he knew it was valid and resigned, although the complications of his medical conditions certainly guided him to make that decision.

One person's definition of "corruption" can be very different from another. Would you consider placing the interest of a donating constituent above the interests of someone who doesn't donate to be corruption? But the person who doesn't donate may see it as obeying the trail of money. Who is to say that the person is wrong in his point of view?

The purpose of law is to protect the people of the state and nation at large - not to protect their representatives. The people must be able to have recourse when their representative wrongs them. 10% has worked for how long? Why the sudden need to change it? What is the need for this bill, let alone the legal justification?

Please email me back, as soon as you can, and explain why it is that this bill is necessary. When it comes to restricting the voters' ability to peaceably assemble and file a recall petition, it comes dangerously close to violating the biggest law in this land. Justice is blind, but the legislative process isn't. Don't be blind to the obvious agenda of this unnecessary bill -

I will be posting a copy of this email to my website, [www.myopinionmatters.com](http://www.myopinionmatters.com), in the Forums under "Letters to Legislators."  
Feel free to answer it there for all to see, or just email to me. I do look forward to hearing from you (or your office) and appreciate the time you are taking to read this.

Christian M Hartley  
Alaska resident since 1988

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Autodidactic Press [autpress@alaska.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 10:26 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul S. Iton  
**Subject:** HB 438

No on HB438. Status quo corruption is going to be identified for what it is and those who are for it as well.

Charles D. Hayes  
Wasilla, AK

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Mary Kvalheim [marykv@mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 10:00 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** hb438

I am opposed to the passage of this bill, HB438. Please do not allow passage from your committee. I am opposed to the change in percentage from 10% to 20%. It is nearly impossible to manage this act at present. There has only been one legislator to whom this was applied in the entire years of statehood. Please do not allow this legislation to move out of your committee.

Thank you for your consideration of my opinion.  
Mary Kvalheim

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Anne Kilkenny/Patrick Johnson [kiljohn@gci.net]

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 9:20 PM

**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton

**Subject:** HB 438

Rep Seaton,

I am totally opposed to HB438.

Since statehood there has only been one recall action that has reached the ballot stage, almost 50 years. The system is difficult enough as is. There is no need to make it more difficult. The system is not broke.

If it ain't broke, don't fix it!

Anne Kilkenny  
P. O. Box 870163  
Wasilla, AK 99687-0163

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Dewey Taylor [dewey@matnet.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 8:57 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** Re: Autoreply: HB 438

Please do not vote for HB 438. Thank you.

Dewey Taylor  
3201 Elderberry Dr  
Wasilla 99654  
373-5074

On Mar 14, 2006, at 8:51 PM, [rep\\_paul\\_seaton@legis.state.ak.us](mailto:rep_paul_seaton@legis.state.ak.us) wrote:

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Sincerely,

Representative Paul Seaton  
Alaska State Legislature  
House District 35

Email address for Katie Shows:  
[Katie\\_Shows@legis.state.ak.us](mailto:Katie_Shows@legis.state.ak.us)

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**From:** Gini King-Taylor [gini@matnet.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 8:56 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** Re: Autoreply: HB 438

Re: HB438 - Please do not vote for this bill. Thank you for your reply to my previous email.

Virginia King-Taylor  
Address: 3201 Elderberry Drive, Wasilla 99654  
Phone: 232-7687

On Mar 14, 2006, at 8:48 PM, [rep\\_paul\\_seaton@legis.state.ak.us](mailto:rep_paul_seaton@legis.state.ak.us) wrote:

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Subject: Thanks for contacting me

Hello,

Thank you for contacting me. I receive a high volume of email and try to respond to messages from constituents in a timely matter. If you need immediate assistance, I encourage you to get in touch with my office by calling 1-800-665-2689 or (907) 235-2921, or by emailing one of my staff member at the addresses listed below. If you did not include your contact information in the email you sent to me please do so by replying to this email with your name, address and telephone number so we can respond to your comments. Thank you again for writing to me.

Sincerely,

Representative Paul Seaton  
Alaska State Legislature  
House District 35

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**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Dewey Taylor [dewey@matnet.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 8:53 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

Please do not vote for HB 438. We already have a law on the books which protects us against frivolous recalls and petitions. This bill would be a grave mistake and take away our right to question when questions need to be asked.

Thank you.

Dewey Taylor  
Mat-Su

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Gini King-Taylor [gini@matnet.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 8:50 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

Please do not change the law on recalls and petitions. As is, the law is strong and makes it very difficult to exercise this right. We need nothing stronger. Please vote against HB 438 in its entirety.

When you have the time, please let me know your vote. Thank you for your every consideration and your efforts with this matter.

Virginia King-Taylor  
Wasilla

3/15/2006

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Patricia Chesbro [chesbro@mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 8:35 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** Against HB 438

Recall is an important check and balance measure for the public. Leave the law as it is. It doesn't seem to be abused since there has been only one successful recall in 50 years.

Patricia Chesbro

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** jay cross [jaykat@mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 8:07 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB438

I am writing in opposition to HB438. The system that is in place works just fine. I find it interesting that this bill is being considered when we think of all the important business that remains to be done this session. Scott Ogan has been the only one ever close to being recalled and he would have been if he hadn't resigned. Now I understand the Legislature voted a commendation for him. What is your message to the people of Alaska?  
Jay Cross

3/15/2006

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Steve Charles [mcharles@ak.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 8:02 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

Rep. Seaton,

I am completely opposed to HB 438 because it is another attempt for legislators to further insulate themselves from whom they are governing. When, in the eyes of his/her constituents, a legislator acts incompetently, recklessly, of neglect or with corruption, they must have recourse.

This bill make that recourse so difficult that it is, in fact, nearly impossible. Recall should be done only as a last resort and this has been the case, since there has been only one recall in 50 years.

Kill this bill or further erode any positive perception of legislators in this state.

Steve Charles  
Willow

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Lee Henrikson [lee@cski.org]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 7:50 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Cc:** Lee Henrikson  
**Subject:** HB 438 No!

Senator Seaton,

Please stop house bill 438. We don't need a stricter policy for recalling politicians.

Sincerely,  
Lee Henrikson  
PO Box 3454  
Palmer AK 99645

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Kathy Cross [kacross@pobox.mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 7:47 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

Representative Seaton,

I have serious concerns about this bill. I haven't seen a rash of recall attempts and do not understand why this process, key in a representative government, should be so restricted.

With all of the important decisions to be addressed in this year's legislature, it seems to me that this type of bill is a waste of precious time.

Thank you for your consideration of my concerns, Kathy Cross Big Lake

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Ben and Lisa [BushWings@StarBand.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 7:33 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

Please stop this bill- HB 438! We need to keep the system intact, not make it more difficult to recall the worst of the lot.

Lisa Stevenson  
Chickaloon, Alaska

Testimony Before the House State Affairs Committee  
March 16, 2006

Chairman Seaton and members,

Thank you for permitting me this opportunity to speak about HB 438.

In consideration of the current situation in Alaska and my analysis of this bill, I believe that this is unnecessary legislation. Current procedures are not broken; they do not need to be fixed. Please apply your attention to matters that need your focused attention, consideration, and action.

I have worked as a paid signature gatherer in Alaska on a number of petitions. I am delighted to do this work as it causes me to feel that I am participating in democracy and the qualitative improvement of our state. As a retired military officer and former high school teacher, this activity now allows me to participate at the grass-roots level in democratic principles that I hold dear and that keep our state strong. I like that. Please don't make it more difficult for me and others to participate in this way.

The following are four specific areas that I find objectionable in this proposed legislation (24-LS1344(L), dated 2/8/06):

- 1) As discussed on pages 6 line 22 and 10 line 9, there is no need to increase the percentage of qualified voter signatures in order to determine that an initiative, a referendum, or a recall petition has been successful and may appear on an appropriate ballot. Qualified signatures from ten percent of those who voted in the preceding general election comprise a fair sampling of the population. It is important to note that the matter is not finally decided by 10% of the voters; this simply allows the issue to come before all voters on the next voting occasion. This is perfectly fine.
- 2) I also disagree with setting the maximum rate of meals reimbursement, shown on pages 2 line 2, 4 line 13, and 8 line 6, at only \$15.00 for circulators who travel 100 miles or more from their home communities. This figure is unreasonably low and there is no need to address it in this way. But, for the record, I taught school near Bethel; \$15.00 there might buy somebody breakfast, but certainly not lunch and dinner, too. I was a circulator in Fairbanks and had meals at the hotel where I stayed; dinner each night was always over \$15.00. If this reimbursement must be addressed, and I don't believe it should be, I recommend the federal per diem rate. In May, legislators will get \$200.00 per day for food and lodging in Juneau during the session. If this must be addressed, why not make the circulator's meals reimbursement equal to the federal per diem rate that you receive when you are away from your homes and staying here?
- 3) While I was in Fairbanks, I was asked to perform some organizing duties in addition to my signature gathering; I specifically provided circulator training, distributed signature

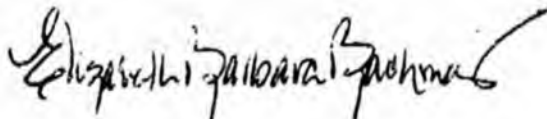
books, collected completed ones, and other duties. I can see no reason to disallow this occasional additional duty as is discussed on pages 2 line 12, 4 line 23, and 8 line 16. **Disallowing the activities I have described increases the cost of the initiative, referendum, and recall process. This is not good for democracy or Alaska.**

4) One final important point is the **fiscal note that must be associated with this bill.** The bill speaks of fees or fines charged to organizations, organizers, or circulators as punishment for infractions or violations to prohibited practices; how are these fines levied, collected, and accounted for? How will these enforcement operations be funded? There is also a new form that is proposed here and that would need to be created and managed. Do we need to spend the State's money in this way? No.

The current initiative, referendum, and recall process works just fine. There is no reason to change it. Do not pass this proposed legislation. There are other topics that need your time and attention. This bill seems to make much more difficult the people's right to participate in state and local government. And, this change would be very wrong.

Thank you for allowing me to testify against **HB 438.** Again, as a person experienced in this work, I believe that changes to the process proposed in this legislation are unnecessary and counter to democracy.

Sincerely,



Elisabeth Barbara Bachmeier  
1890 Glacier Ave., #302  
Juneau, AK 99801

Addendum ... added after the conclusion of my public testimony on March 16, 2006

When I completed my public testimony and Representative Ramras's consequent questioning and after the committee began to consider another topic, I left the committee meeting room. Although committee business continued, Representative Ramras also left the meeting and asked to speak with me privately in the hallway. I was uncomfortable with this as I expected my comments to him on this proposed legislation to be entirely on the record.

(I told him in the hallway that I did not appreciate being "cut off" when I attempted to add the following comments to the record during public testimony and to have, only minutes later, the occasion to discuss this with him privately.)

When he spoke with me, he continued to allege that I and other circulators had performed unlawfully and "cheated" while working as circulators. He specifically asserted that I was

behaving out of the bounds of the law when I accepted meals reimbursement for my circulator duties. I reminded him that he and I specifically discussed this topic when we spoke in Fairbanks. I told him that he should have informed me then that he considered my behavior in his community to be unlawful, rather than months later during my testimony at a committee meeting. Representative Ramras responded that he did not want to interfere with Eric Croft. This was a surprising rebuttal, as Representative Croft had absolutely nothing to do with my work as a circulator in Fairbanks and/or payment for meals reimbursement.

At this point I asked Representative Ramras for the particular citation that he used to determine that I behaved unlawfully by accepting meals reimbursement. Only then did he remark that my alleged unlawful behavior was based on his interpretation of "something". I asked for this reference document and still do not have the citation.

Can the State Affairs Committee provide me with the reference document and citation leading to Representative Ramras's allegation against me, so I can read and interpret it and decide this matter for myself?

Louie Flora

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From: on behalf of Rep. Paul Seaton

Subject: FW: hb438 ramras bill

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Subject

HB 438

To:

representative\_paul\_seaton@legis.state.ak.us

Chairman Paul Seaton,

I am a long time Alaska resident. In fact I voted for statehood. This attempt at changing the recall and petition statutes in a shame and a sham. Please end this insult to our rights as citizens, and get on with more serious business.

There seems to be plenty that legislators could be spending their time on, other than this bill. Please put me on record as in total opposition to HB 438.

Thank You,

Maxine Mae Thompson  
P.O. Box 877189  
Wasilla, Alaska 99687

3/19/2006

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** robert opland [bobopland@gci.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 16, 2006 3:11 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** hb438

Please note that I, along with many other old time Alaskans, am strongly opposed to the concepts fo HB438.

Sincerely  
Mildred Opland

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Deanna [dmjgearyfam@gci.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 16, 2006 9:43 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** hb438

Dear Rep. Seaton, I wish to let you know that I am against HB438.  
Please do not let this go through.

Thank You, Deanna Geary  
4401 N. Charely Dr.  
Wasilla, AK. 99654

3/19/2006

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** John Stinson [stinson5@gci.net]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 9:38 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** Problem with HB 438

Dear Mr. Seaton;

I'm a registered Republican in Big Lake and wish to send you my comments on HB 438 which has been referred to State Affairs.

The provisions for Circulators' meals and Alaska-only voter registration seem fine.

What bothers me are:

- 1) restriction of application filing within the last 270 days of an official's term; and,
- 2) requirement of 20% of voter numbers as petitions to file.

These amendments make it harder for Alaskan citizenry to wield a potential tool of accountability. It's rarely used; but I was glad to have the option to enforce Senator accountability in Dist H not quite two years ago.

Please help keep our recall option accessible to the voters. Thank you for your attention.

John Stinson  
POBox 520665  
Big Lake, AK  
99562

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** john vinduska [jvinduska@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 15, 2006 8:49 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB438

Representative Seaton:

I would like to comment on HB438 regarding recall of legislators. The present law makes it extremely difficult to recall anyone. Citizens must now get the required number of signatures twice before it is even put on the ballot where a majority is necessary to recall a corrupt politician. This has only been successful once since Statehood which shows that it is not something to be done frivolously. Making this more difficult will only send a message to the people that no matter how corrupt someone is, the law will protect them.

Sincerely,  
Sherri Jackson

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Pat Owens [pato@mtaonline.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 16, 2006 8:32 AM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

Representative Seaton,

I oppose HB 438.

Pat Owens  
Chickaloon, Alaska

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** on behalf of Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** FW: hb438

----- Original Message -----  
From: "jz2kute" <jz2kute@yahoo.com>

Subject: hb438

Chairman Seaton,

> I am totally against the hb438 bill. Why fix something that is not  
> broke? LEAVE WELL ENOUGH ALONE !!!!!

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THANKS  
LAURA COLEMAN

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**Louie Flora**

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**From:** Judy Olson [jgolson1@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 23, 2006 1:03 PM  
**To:** Rep. Paul Seaton  
**Subject:** HB 438

To Mr. Seaton:

Surely we don't need to make it easier for a legislator to be corrupt, incompetent, unfit, or to neglect his/her duties. I strongly oppose HB 438!

Judy Olson  
2701 McRae Dr  
Wasilla, AK 99654

735-7468

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Yahoo! Messenger with Voice. PC-to-Phone calls for ridiculously low rates.

**Katie Shows**

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**From:** Cody Rice  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 13, 2006 3:39 PM  
**To:** Katie Shows

Did your boss see this?

This guy is a bit of a nut. Associates heavily with Myrl.

**Rep\_paul\_seaton@legis.state.ak.us**, regarding House Bill 438

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christian

**Posted:** Mar 14 2006, 10:39 PM



Administrator



Group: Admin  
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I am absolutely 100% adamantly opposed to proposed HB 438. There is no reason at all to change the way recall elections occur. Recall is a constitutional guarantee on both the federal and state levels, as well as municipal. The current system works so well at preventing frivolous recalls that only one person has ever been even put up for a recall election and even he knew it was valid and resigned, although the complications of his medical conditions certainly guided him to make that decision.

One person's definition of "corruption" can be very different from another. Would you consider placing the interest of a donating constituent above the interests of someone who doesn't donate to be corruption? But the person who doesn't donate may see it as obeying the trail of money. Who is to say that the person is wrong in his point of view?

The purpose of law is to protect the people of the state and nation at large - not to protect their representatives. The people must be able to have recourse when their representative wrongs them. 10% has worked for how long? Why the sudden need to change it? What is the need for this bill, let alone the legal justification?

Please email me back, as soon as you can, and explain why it is that this bill is necessary. When it comes to restricting the voters' ability to peaceably assemble and file a recall petition, it comes dangerously close to violating the biggest law in this land. Justice is blind, but the legislative process isn't. Don't be blind to the obvious agenda of this unnecessary bill -

I will be posting a copy of this email to my website, [www.myopinionmatters.com](http://www.myopinionmatters.com), in the Forums under "Letters to Legislators." Feel free to answer it there for all to see, or just email to me. I do look forward to hearing from you (or your office) and appreciate the time you are taking to read this.

Christian M Hartley  
 Alaska resident since 1988

SITE: FAIRBANKS LIO

COMMITTEE: H State Affairs

DATE: March 14, 2006

SUBJECT OF MEETING:

BILL # HB 448

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## REPRESENTATIVE JIM ELKINS

### SPONSOR STATEMENT

#### House Bill 448

**“An act relating to special license plates for the Free and Accepted Masons”**

House Bill 448 allows special request license plates for the “Free and Accepted Masons of Alaska.”

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## REPRESENTATIVE JIM ELKINS

### SECTIONAL ANALYSIS

#### House Bill 448

**“An act relating to special license plates for the Free and Accepted Masons”**

**Section 1.** Amends AS 28.10.181 by adding a new subsection that allows the Department to design and issue registration plates representing the Free and Accepted Mason of Alaska.

# FISCAL NOTE

**STATE OF ALASKA**  
**2006 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

Fiscal Note Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Bill Version: HB 448  
 ( ) Publish Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Revision Date/Time (Note if correction): 3/2/06 - 2:30 p.m. Dept. Affected: Administration  
 Title: "An Act relating to special license plates for the Free and Accepted Masons." RDU: Division of Motor Vehicles  
 Component: Motor Vehicles  
 Sponsor: Rep. Elkins  
 Requester: (H) State Affairs Component No.: 2348

**Expenditures/Revenues** (Thousands of Dollars)

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

OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012
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1002 Federal Receipts						
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1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
1156 Receipt Supported Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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Estimate of any current year (FY2006) cost: 0.0

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**POSITIONS**

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**ANALYSIS:** (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This bill authorizes DMV to design and issue a Special Request license plate. The contract with our plate supplier allows individual orders of each different Specialty Plate. The one-time set up cost is \$300.00 if a design is provided; ongoing revenues and expense will be determined by the number of customers requesting this plate. AS 28.10.421 (d) (2) (E) directs the DMV to collect \$30.00 (thirty-dollars) for each set of specialty plates issued.

Prepared by: Duane Bannock, Director  
 Division: Motor Vehicles  
 Approved by: Mike Tibbles, Deputy Commissioner  
 Agency: Administration

Phone (907) 269-5008  
 Date/Time 3/2/06 2:30pm  
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**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 448( )**  
**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**  
**TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION**

**BY**

**Offered:**  
**Referred:**

**Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVE ELKINS**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to special license plates for benevolent associations."**

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 **\* Section 1.** AS 28.10.181 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

4           (x) Special request benevolent association plates. Upon application by the  
5 owner of a motor vehicle, the department may design and issue registration plates  
6 representing a benevolent association to which AS 21.72 applies. The department may  
7 disapprove the issuance of registration plates under this subsection when the requested  
8 plates are a duplication of an existing registration.

**Louie Flora**

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**From:** POMS@legis.state.ak.us  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 14, 2006 3:50 PM  
**To:** Louie Flora  
**Subject:** New Pom:HB 448 License Plates For Masons

Wayne Peplier  
978 Mark Way

North Pole 99705-5358,

In consideration of the license plate acknowledgements that you are doing, to single out organizations like Masons, Knights of Columbus, Elks. You shouldn't be considering this. I oppose organizations or religious organizations being on license plates. Where will it stop? Don't do this.