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## *Guess Champions Privacy on PFD Applications*

### *Senate Bill 284 protects personal information*

JUNEAU – The Alaska Senate today unanimously endorsed Senate Bill 284, a privacy bill by Senator Gretchen Guess (D-Anchorage). SB284 keeps personal information other than your name confidential on Permanent Fund dividend applications. Additionally, it allows Alaskans to keep much of the information on the voter registration records private, including residential addresses if they provide a different mailing address.

“People should not have to choose between a Permanent Fund dividend and their personal privacy,” explained Senator Guess. “For example, to a victim of a violent crime, disclosing this information could be a potentially terrifying and life-threatening mistake.”

SB284 accomplishes three goals regarding keeping personal information confidential. First, it makes all applicant information, other than the name, on the Permanent Fund Dividend (PFD) application confidential. Second, it makes private much of the individual information on the voter registration records private. Third, it allows an Alaskan to keep their residential address private on voter registration records if they provide a different mailing address.

SB284 heads now to the House Judiciary committee for a hearing today.

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Sen. Bettye Davis, Sen. Johnny Ellis, Sen. Kim Elton, Sen. Lyman Hoffman, Sen. Hollis French, Sen. Gretchen Guess, Sen. Georgianna Lincoln, Sen. Donny Olson, Rep. Ethan Berkowitz, Rep. Sharon Cissna, Rep. Harry Crawford, Rep. Eric Croft, Rep. Les Gara, Rep. Max Gruenberg, Rep. David Guttenberg, Rep. Reggie Joule, Rep. Mary Kapsner, Rep. Beth Kerttula, Rep. Albert Kookesh, Rep. Carl Moses