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SPONSOR STATEMENT

SJR 6 - Urging the United States Congress to reject H.R. 45, the Blair Holt's Firearm Licensing and Record of Sale Act of 2009.

SJR 6 asks our congressional delegation to oppose and defeat HR 45, a bill that has been introduced in Congress that would significantly diminish Alaskans' right to keep and bear arms. Among other things, HR 45 would require anyone who possesses a firearm to obtain a federal license to do so; it would make it a felony to transfer a firearm to someone who does not have a license; it would also make it a felony to fail to timely report such a transfer or to fail to report the loss or theft of a firearm within 72 hours to the US Attorney General; it requires the Attorney General to establish and maintain a data base of firearm transfers.

With those who favor gun control becoming more active in our nation's Capital, I feel it is very important that our congressional delegation hear from the Alaska Legislature as soon as possible on this issue.