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Donley Wants Criminals' PFDs to Go to Victims

(JUNEAU) – A bill introduced last week by the Senate Finance Committee will reflect the old maxim that “crime doesn’t pay.”

[Senate Bill 338](#) will make criminals convicted of a felony or misdemeanor ineligible for a Permanent Fund Dividend for at least two years, regardless of prior convictions. The length of dividend forfeiture would vary based on the severity of the crime, according to Sen. Dave Donley (R-Anchorage), co-chair of the Senate Finance Committee.

“Two years is the minimum,” said Donley. “If you commit a violent or particularly heinous crime you could lose your Permanent Fund Dividend for life.”

According to Donley, the confiscated dividends would go back to the state, where their first use would be to assist victims through the “[Violent Crime Compensation Board](#).”

SB 338 will be heard first by the Senate Finance Committee.

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