Unable to attend this afternoon meeting on the financial impact of SB-133. As you know we face a $40,000.00 deficit as a result of the voluntary licensing program of Colorado private investigators. Those of us who oppose licensing represent no fewer than 300 private investigators here in Colorado, many are retired law enforcement and have made it clear they will strongly consider retiring if a bill is passed and the cost of the license is ... That is the unknown question for them. This does nothing for the community but only assists PPIAC and others who would like nothing more than to squeeze out their competition.

PPIAC provided false numbers in the past—isn’t it a bit strange that all of a sudden the potential numbers that will get a license now is so much higher than the expectations in 2011, when they predicted 250 would get a license and on 90 or so did—You trusted those numbers and look where it got us, a $40,000.00 deficit.

Colorado private investigator have made it more than clear how they feel about licensing based on the past years data—NO INTEREST. What could be more clear than that?

As a Colorado taxpayer, I ask you to please kill this bill this afternoon. One more thing, this is a nonpartisan issue, this is a money management issue not a conservative, liberal issue.

Sincerely yours,
Rick Johnson

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