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Glen - I don't even know what to say after catching your visit on Fagan's show yesterday. I wanted to call in and ask "why?" ... but I have to stop and pray before doing so, and so often it's better when I listen to the "don't-be-tempted-to-tell-em-what-you-really-feel..." answer. Thus, I didn't call you on your comments.

The only thing I've been able to think of that would have angered you is me not being able to have dinner with you two weeks ago to talk about "future plans". Again, I apologize for the Juneau trip that came between that invitation and my availability. My understanding was that you understood, if I'm mistaken, pls let me know.

After yesterday it's been confirmed: The circle of confidants is so small in the world of politics, much less the circle of friends. Your comments and follow-on agreements with Fagan about his "more broken promises" claims, claims of pandering to media and not being conservative, etc, etc, etc... it was all heartbreaking... but eye-opening for me as the circle grew smaller right before my ears. My gosh Glen - playing into Fagan's accusation that I care more for Alaska's dairy cows than I do our kids?

I spoke with Tibbles afterwards - he was confident you were pleased with Pat Shier and understood that homeschool rules take time to change and has not heard from you anything to the contrary.

I spoke with Boards and Commissions about your claims I could have swept out the entire board... you know it's not as easy as that and we can sit down with you to show Dept of Law's opinion on that - but more important here is I, and Frank Baily, and Kris Perry, and Sean Parnell, and others have always been on your side on the homeschool issues with regard to desiring change and allowing parents more choices. You know that Glen, yet you chose such an odd venue to vent - instead of giving us a head's up with your disgust of the administration - a more productive and healthier way of discussing the issue could have been found.

You've spoken to Sean, Frank, Todd, and me in the past two weeks. Couldn't you afford any of us the head's up re: what you really felt about us?

Sorry to be so long in this email - I just am baffled and saddened that the circle closes ever smaller.

BTW, we're anxious to capitalize on the opportunity Alaska has in front of us with the Educ Commish slot that's to be filled with the new ideas and new energy the Dept. needs.