SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 542(CRA)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/11/96
Referred: STA, RES, FIN

Sponsor(s): HOUSE COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

"An Act relating to participation in matters before the Board of Fisheries by members of the board; and providing for an effective date."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

* Section 1. PURPOSE. The purpose of this Act is to preserve and enhance the ability of the Board of Fisheries to act as a lay board. To accomplish this goal, this Act requires members of the board to participate in the issues that come before the board even though the members have a personal or financial interest in the matter by virtue of their participation in a fishery.

* Sec. 2. AS 39.52.120(c) is amended to read:

(c) In addition to other provisions of this section, a public officer who is a member of the [BOARD OF FISHERIES OR THE] Board of Game may not act on a matter before the board if the public officer has not disclosed in the manner set out in AS 39.52.220 all personal or financial interests in a business or organization relating to fish or game resources.
* Sec. 3. AS 39.52.120 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a public officer who is a member of the Board of Fisheries must participate in matters before the board even if the member has a personal or financial interest in the matter. Before participating, the member shall disclose the interest on the record. Disclosure under this subsection is not subject to AS 39.52.220. Participation in a matter before the board after disclosure is not considered to be a use of state facilities to benefit personal or financial interests under (b)(3) of this section. AS 39.52.240 does not apply to matters related to this subsection.

* Sec. 4. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).