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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

House District 35

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Senator Joe Paskavan, Co-Chair Senate Resources Committee Senator Tom Wagoner, Co-Chair Senate Resources Committee

FROM:

Representative Paul Seaton

DATE:

February 8, 2012

RE:

Request for a hearing, HB 60

I respectfully request a hearing of HB 60 before the Senate Resources Committee. This is a follow-up to the original hearing request sent on March 22, 2011.

In summary, HB 60 states that the Department of Fish and Game cannot use the absence of wild geoducks in an area to deny a farming permit.

Attached please find: sponsor statement, HB 60, DNR fiscal note, F&G fiscal note, Interesting Geoduck Facts, Article 2 Aquatic Farming, Home page for three-minute trailer for "3 Feet Under – Digging Deep for the Geoduck," Letter from Alutiiq Pride Shellfish Hatchery, Letter from City of Seward.

In order to show the brief three-minute clip "3 Feet Under – Digging Deep for the Geoduck" I will need a computer and a projector.

All teleconference sites are welcome; however there are no special requests. At the committee's discretion, Jeff Hettrick, the manager of the Alutiiq Pride Shellfish Hatchery will need to call in off net.

Staff contact: Heather Beggs, 465-2028