

Darrell Breese

From: James Roach <jroach@mtaonline.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 10:14 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Dipnetting & AS 16.05.251.(e)

>> Representative Stolze,
>>
>> Thank you for your support of elevating dip netting above sport,
>> guided sport, and commercial fisheries, AS 16.05.251.(e).
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>> My family has been participating in the Chitna Dipnetting fisheries
>> for our annual food harvest since 1989.
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>> Thank you,
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>> James Roach
>>
>> Wasilla, Alaska
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Darrell Breese

From: RPC - Richard Person <rpc@gci.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 10:05 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Mr. Stoltze, it may surprise you to know there are constituents in your area that oppose HB 18. The Board of Fisheries is the proper tool to manage the fisheries of Alaska, not politicians. You get to have your say in appointing members to the BOF, then let them do their job. Juneau needs to stay out of making fishery policy. Richard Person

Darrell Breese

From: dburfoot@aptalaska.net
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 10:00 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

I support HB 18.
I am a subsistence fisherman who uses Copper River red salmon.

Dan L Burfoot
Tok, AK.

Darrell Breese

From: Mary Silvey <maryannsilvey@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 9:53 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Personal Use Fisheries HB 18

My family has been dipnetting in Chitina since I was a child. Salmon was a staple of our diet, as was the moose, caribou and birds and rabbits we hunted or the garden vegetables. I fully appreciate the value of the Copper River salmon to the fishing industry, but Alaskan residents who are willing to take the risks and spend the time required to dipnet salmon should not have to take the leftovers, if any, after every other group is provided an allotment. Dipnetting salmon is not a fishing vacation--it is hard work. We call it a "freezer haul." It is a vital part of our diet--frozen, canned and smoked. We always hope to get enough to last us to the next fishing season.

Even now, my family rarely buys fish we don't fish ourselves. When we don't get enough salmon to last the year, we do not buy it at the grocery store. Although out-of-state sales may rise, commercial fishermen are not going to increase their sales by selling to dipnetters who are not allotted enough fish to provide for their families. As someone who depends upon this diet staple, I am very concerned that it be well-managed and I realize that in some years no one is going to get everything they want. But a better priority needs to be considered for Alaskan residents who depend on this resource and I believe this bill will improve that allocation.

Mary W Silvey
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Darrell Breese

From: Carlos Gonzales <mayacadd@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 9:50 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18 Personal Use Fisheries Bill

Representative Stolze

Good morning Bill,


Just letting you know, my family has been involved in the personal use fishery since the 2005. It has become a traditional pastime in our family and an important support to our household. I've witnessed fishies grow tremendously over the years and believe it's time that the personal use fishery has priority over other fishery's.

Hope to see your support for House Bill 18.

Thanks for your service.

Regards,

Carlos F. Gonzales
Maya CADD Services

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Darrell Breese

From: Paul HARRELL <harrellp1@msn.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 9:46 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Support HB 18

Representative Stoltze,

Thank you for the work done on HB 18. As a member of the Chitina Dipnetter's Board, I, along with 7 others represent over 10,000 dipnetter's who feed their families, in part, with this form of fishing.

Thank you!

Paul Harrell
388-7227

Darrell Breese

From: John & Carolyn Miller <jcm@alaska.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 9:45 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB18

Rep. Stoltze:

Thank you for advancing this proposal. It's about time!

The vast majority of the harvestable surplus of our Alaska fish are taken by commercial operators - a great many of whom are not even Alaska residents. It is simply not right that resident Alaskans are restricted in taking fish for personal and family consumption to enhance the profits of commercial fishers.

There should be a commercial fishery IF, AND ONLY IF the personal consumption needs of resident Alaskans are first satisfied!

John Miller
1260 March Dr.
Fairbanks 99709

Darrell Breese

From: Me <kickn@gci.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 9:30 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Dipnetter

Bill,

My family has lived in alaska 25+ years and really enjoy dipnetting as a family. It supplies us with not only fish for the year, but memories for a lifetime.

Please make us a priority when it comes to making the states fishery goals.

Thanks for your time in reading this email.

Craig Edmundson

Sent from my Alaska Communications Android

Darrell Breese

From: hoagie <hoagie@acsalaska.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 9:29 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: dipnetting

Hello Bill H B 18 needs to be passed for us dipnetters . Thank You Kent Kendrick , Fox Alaska

Darrell Breese

From: tecraig <tecraig@acsalaska.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 9:15 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: support for bill HB 18

Dear Representative Stoltze,

I am writing in support of HB18, which would "provide priority to personal use fisheries when fishing restrictions are implemented to achieve a management goal". Thousands of Alaskans, including our family, rely on these personal use fisheries for their food every year. Alaskan fisheries are a publicly owned wildlife resource in the state and I believe that Alaskan residents should be given precedence over the commercial fisheries industry in Alaska.

Thank you for considering my opinion.

Sincerely,

Erica Craig
Fairbanks, Alaska

Darrell Breese

From: Neumann, Richard (Anchorage) <Richard.Neumann@WorleyParsons.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 8:55 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Representative Stolze

Morning Bill,

Just letting you know, my family has been involved in the personal use fishery since the early 90's. It has become a traditional pastime in our family(working on the third generation) and a mainstay in our freezers. I've witnessed this fishery grow tremendously over the years and believe it's time that the personal use fishery has priority over other fishery's.

Hope to see your support for House Bill 18.

Thanks for your service.

Richard Neumann

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From: Whitehead, Richard G. <WhiteheadRG@ci.anchorage.ak.us>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 8:49 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18, "An act providing priority to personal use fisheries when fish restrictions are implemented to achieve a management goal."

Representative Stolze,

RE: HB 18, "An act providing priority to personal use fisheries when fish restrictions are implemented to achieve a management goal."

My family and I have been dipnetting at the mouth of the Kenai for over 25 yrs. We rely on that resource heavily for filling our freezer.

Please consider this on behalf of myself and thousands of others like me who live here.

I have commercial fished in the past. I understand how the system works but many of the commercial fishermen now do not live in Alaska.

Personal use fisheries go directly to Alaskans. Please consider this when proceeding with HB18.

Thanks for your hard work in representing Alaskans in our Legislative process.

Richard G. Whitehead
Eagle River Alaska

Darrell Breese

From: Reed, William <William.Reed@CGG.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 8:41 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Support of HB18

Dear Representative Stoltze,

Yes! I want my voice heard and that of my family, and I support you in pushing forward HB18 giving a voice to those of us who rely on the personal use fisheries for the support of our families and our future.

Thank you!



Wm. "Randy" Reed

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From: Henry Springer <oksun@gci.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 8:30 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Dear Representative Stoltze: My wife and I are longtime residents and have been longtime participants in the personal use fisheries, tipnetting for salmon. Just like subsistence preferences for native and rural residents, this should be the highest priority for this renewable resource for all Alaskan residents. As far as we are concerned this is one of the most important pieces of legislation in this session. We THANK YOU for your initiative and support. Heinrich and Oksun Springer, PO Box 232114, Anchorage, AK 99523, Tel. 346-2121

Darrell Breese

From: Hull, Ben <Ben.Hull@va.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 8:23 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Personal Use Fishery-HB 18

Dear Rep. Stoltz,

Please advocate for a priority for personal use fishermen and women over the commercial, guided sport, and sport fisheries. I support HB 18 and your efforts in this regard.

Ben Hull

Anchorage, AK 99504

Darrell Breese

From: Andrew Couch <fishing@fish4salmon.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 8:19 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Support for House Bill 18

Representative Stoltze,

I support passage of House Bill 18 which would allow all Alaskan residents a reasonable opportunity to harvest a limited amount of the the state's abundant salmon resource for personal consumption in personal use fisheries. Subsistence fishing for the same purpose already has such a priority --- however, subsistence fisheries are not always located in close proximity to where many Alaskans live. Without a personal use priority we currently have fisheries where Alaskan residents have at times been excluded all opportunity for limited personal use harvest of specific salmon stocks in order to provide much larger commercial harvests --- some of which goes to nonresident commercial fishers. Two examples of where this has occurred are at Fish Creek (the only personal use fishery in the Mat- Su Valley) and the Chitna personal use fishery for king salmon. In times of resource shortage it only makes sense to provide for a limited harvest by all Alaskans before allowing larger commercial harvests -- a portion of which is by nonresidents.

Sincerely,

Andrew N. Couch
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Palmer, AK 99645

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Darrell Breese

From: Tom Check <maximumak700@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 7:44 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: support for HB18

Dear Bill Stoltze, I am writing to express our family's strong support of your bill, HB18. Personal use salmon is a staple of our healthy Alaskan diet and dip netting for our food is an activity central to our Alaskan lifestyle. Thank you for your efforts on our behalf.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas and Donna Check
4380 East Crane Road
Wasilla, AK 99654
907-357-3862
3/18/2014

Darrell Breese

From: O'Connors <arleta@mtaonline.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 7:37 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB18

Bill,
I support HB18 . We need fish in our freezer. Alaskans should come first.

Patrick O'Connor
Palmer

Darrell Breese

From: Kevin Sparrowgrove <brwng425@alaska.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 7:17 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: House Bill #18

This is Kevin Sparrowgrove, Anchorage resident and Secretary of the Anchorage AC for fish and game.

I am writing in support of this bill for the personal use fishery and making it a priority when restrictions are need for escapement goals.

Kevin Sparrowgrove

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Darrell Breese

From: Neumann_Frank <Neumann_Frank@asdk12.org>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 6:54 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Representative Stolze

Morning Bill, just letting you know that my family has been involved in the personal use fishery since the early 90's. I've witness this fishery growth over the years, and it's time that it have a priority over other fishery's.

Hope to see you support this House Bill 18.

Thanks for you Service.

Frank Neumann

P.O.Box 670683

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Darrell Breese

From: Bruce Carter <brucec@mtaonline.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 5:58 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: I support HB 18

Hello,
Just writing to let you know I support HB18. Personal use should have priority.
Thank you,
Bruce Carter
Sent from my iPhone

Darrell Breese

From: Don Dunavant <ddunavant@accg.biz>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 5:58 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Personal use fishery priority

Dear Rep Stoltze,

Please take the time to down to ground level in the knowledge of the management of the Alaska fish runs. As we all know, continuation of fishing by anyone is not a certainty, with survival of the runs as first priority.

However, if too many fish return, it is not good for the runs either. This is well documented.

The purpose of this email is to establish the thinking on how to keep the fish returns at a level healthy to the species.

As extra fish belong to the citizens for their personal consumption, the personal use fishery should be high priority in determining what groups get to harvest these extra fish. The Department of Fish and Game should be directed to conduct openings of both commercial fishing and personal use fishing with this in mind.

In a battle between commercial fisherman and personal use fisherman who actually own the fish, the priority should be clear.

Thank you very much for your attention to this matter.

Donald R. Dunavant

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Anchorage, Alaska 99518

Darrell Breese

From: Bert Thomas <thomasb@mosquitonet.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 1:15 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

HB 18 should be passed, it is a small step in the right direction to afford AK residents the opportunity to put fresh fish on their table with a little effort on their own part. The commercial fishery has been allowed to run rampant far too long and is no doubt why the King return has diminished to the level we see now. If something is not done soon the Reds and Silvers will be next.

Bert Thomas

FBKS, AK

Darrell Breese

From: Wendy S Nielsen <wendys.nielsen@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 11:57 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Rep. Bill Stoltze,
One More e-mail backing your position on HB 18.
Thank You for your work!

Wendy S Nielsen
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FBKS., AK 99708

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Darrell Breese

From: tparagi@alaska.net
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 11:47 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Cc: Rep. David Guttenberg
Subject: support HB 18

Dear Representative Stoltz,

I engage in the personal use fishery for salmon and whitefish in the Tanana River and support HB 18. Thank you for sponsoring it.

Tom Paragi
1271 Lowbush Lane
Fairbanks, AK 99709
Goldstream Valley

Darrell Breese

From: David Alan <dhalan42@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 11:26 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: support dipnetting rights

Representative Stoltze,

I am writing to thank you for your support already for dipnetting and registering my support as an Alaskan for your bill, HB 18. I'm embarrassed to admit it but this is the first time I've ever written a legislator in my life, but this issue goes to the heart of our freedom to partake in Alaska's fish and feed our families. We're watching from Fairbanks and we really support you on this!

Sincerely,
David Henry
1255 Wideview Road, Fairbanks, Alaska

Darrell Breese

From: Doug & Bruce <foam@mosquitonet.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 10:56 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Representative Stoltze,

Thank you very much for your work on this bill concerning personal use fishing. It should be a priority for the elected representatives of the people to make sure common folks can obtain fish for their tables before the fish are allocated to sport and commercial interests. I think Representatives Kawasaki and Thompson know and agree with this and I hope you can convince the others how important it is. I've been utilizing the dipnet fishery for over 30 years and have many friends and relatives who have used it for as long and longer. This is definitely an issue to put the people before any special interests and voters are watching it closely and hoping for the best. Thank you again and good luck!

Respectfully,

Douglas Scott
P.O. Box 10220
Fairbanks, Ak 99710
907-388-2930

Darrell Breese

From: Ronald Kruckenberg <namu@alaska.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 10:51 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB18

HB 18, "An act providing priority to personal use fisheries when fish restrictions are implemented to achieve a management goal."

Representative Stolze,

My family of 5 believes it is in the best interest of the Alaskan Public to be provided "priority" in the PERSONAL USE fishery when fishing restrictions are implemented!

To be considered a participant in the Personal Use fishery, the person must be an ALASKAN resident!
NEED I SAY MORE?

Does our Political base understand that COMMERCIAL FISHING is only a TOOL to be used by the Department of Fish to STOP OVER-ESCAPEMENT of fish?

A Commercial fishing permit is not a RIGHT TO FISH.

The Commercial fishery is OWED NO FISH by owning a commercial permit.

The Commercial fishery IS JUST A TOOL available to the Dept of Fish to prevent over-escapement if needed.
THAT IS A FACT.

SO, why would we not have the personal use fishery open at ANY TIME a commercial fishery is open?

The personal use fishery should also be considered FIRST as a means of stopping over-escapement of sockeye or other species of salmon,

It should not be, commercial fishing....then personal use fishing

Anytime the personal use fishery is open, if this fishery cannot handle the abundance of fish and over-escapement is imminent,

THEN AND ONLY THEN should the commercial fleet be called on to fish!

Zhenya Ogorodnikov
9130 Shady Bay Circle
Anchorage, Alaska 99507
907 244-4181

Darrell Breese

From: Ronald Kruckenberg <namu@alaska.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 10:47 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB18

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Ron Kruckenberg
9130 Shady Bay Circle
Anchorage, Alaska 99507
907-248-7931

Darrell Breese

From: Kateryna Kruckenberg <katrina_74@mail.ru>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 10:22 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

My name is Kateryna Kruckenberg. I want to have the State pass this bill to give Alaskan Residents first rights to the dipnetting fishery. This is the natural food source in Alaska for Alaskans just like the Constitution says it should do. thank you.

Po Box 220591
Anch, Ak. 99517
907-248-7931

Darrell Breese

From: Ernie Viens <akpa12@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 10:20 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Feeding my family

Sent from my iPhone

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NEED I SAY MORE?

Thank You

Ernest Viens

Eagle River Alaska

Darrell Breese

From: Ronald Kruckenberg <namu@alaska.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 10:12 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Alaskan Dipnetting HB 18

To Whom it may concern,

I would like to recommend the passing of HB 18. This is exactly what Alaskan Residents should be receiving from our State Natural Resources.

I have dip netted since the begging for my family and life style as my parents have done before me. I would appreciate the First Choice we deserve from our fisheries.

I have been an Alaskan resident since 1973. This has been a food source and will always be a way of life.

Ron Kruckenberg
9130 Shady Bay Circle
Anchorage, Ak 99507

Darrell Breese

From: R T <highflytimm@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 10:05 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Language to prioritize personal use fishing/dipnetting HB 18

Hi Representative Stoltze,

The following is a letter Bruce Morgan (Anchorage F&G Advisory Committee) wrote and sent out. I really feel the way he does and cannot improve upon his wording and message, so I am putting my name to this letter in full support. Please add prioritizing Personal Use Fishing to Section 8 of the Alaska Constitution in plain language above all else. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO in this area!!

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Bruce Morgan
Anchorage
Robert Timmins
Eagle River, AK

Darrell Breese

From: Roger Penrod <pharmboy@gci.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 10:01 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Personal Use fisheries

Representative Stoltze,

You may want to consider the personal use fisheries as opposed to the commercial guys. State policies have favored the commercial use for way too long. The absolute demise of the Kenai River king fishery is a good example. Think about the residents of your state, not thye commercial interests.

Roger Penrod

10287 Halfhitch Circle

Anchorage, AK 99515

907-306-0546

Darrell Breese

From: John <sherlock@mtaonline.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 9:45 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB18

This it to let you know the importance of HB18 to me and my family. Utilizing fish and game in this State is how I have fed my family for over thirty years. Prioritizing dip netting above commercial fishing allows my family and me to be assured of providing for our nutritional needs first. Having raised a child with special nutritional needs, with high medical costs, it would be reassuring that personal use fishing would allow the family budget to be supplemented through our personal gathering of fish, especially knowing that we aren't being shoved to the back of the line but instead recognized as the first user in times of lean as well as times of plenty Sent from my iPhone

Darrell Breese

From: peter linn <msp2ak@gci.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 9:32 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Personal use priority over commercial users

Rep Stoltze:

I would like to let you know that I would appreciate your support regarding a personal use priority over commercial interests. Those who Dipnetting for personal use generally do so to feed our families. Commercial take of this resource far outstrip the take of personal users and it is important that we recognize this and preserve personal access to our fish resources.

R/

Pete Linn

Eagle River, AK

907 854-7383

"Never ascribe to malice that which can be explained by incompetence, but don't rule out malice"

Robert Hanlon

Darrell Breese

From: Rick Hammond <akrhammond@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 9:24 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze

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Rick and Julie Hammond

Dependent: Kraig Hammond

Daughters: Lindsey and Kaitlin Hammond

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Rick Hammond

Darrell Breese

From: Mike Potter <pottermik@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 9:19 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

I support HB 18. I have lived in Alaska for 71 years and I fish at Chitina every summer. I think that Alaska residents should have priority over all of our resources. Thanks.

Mike Potter

Darrell Breese

From: brian bohman <bohmanbd@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 8:56 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: I Support HB18 Personal Use Fishery

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palmer ak 99645
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Darrell Breese

From: Paula & Robert Caywood <cmmgen@mtaonline.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 8:52 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB18

Sounds like a great bill for Alaskans, if we can fix our access issues next that would be really great.

Robert Caywood

CMM General Contractors, LLC

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Darrell Breese

From: Kelly Gordon <sksgordon@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 8:37 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18 support

Representative Stoltze,
Thank you for your support of HB 18, "An act providing priority to personal use fisheries when fish restrictions are implemented to achieve a management goal."
We are members of AOC and AOAA and are fully in support of the intent of the bill.
Thank you,
Kelly and Steve Gordon
1942 Commodore Drive
Anchorage, AK 99507
907-349-6625

Darrell Breese

From: Bartelli <bartelli@mtaonline.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 8:36 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Bill,
I strongly support HB 18. Thanks for sticking up for the vast majority of the fish-harvesting state.
Regards,
Stephen Bartelli

Sent from my iPhone

Darrell Breese

From: Steve Gordon <sksgordon@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 8:25 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB18

Sir,

I thank you and appreciate your support of HB 18; Alaskan residents to obtain a publicly owned wildfood resource (fish) over the harvest taken by the commercial fisheries industry in Alaska.

Thank you,

Stephen Gordon

1942 Commodore Drive

Anchorage, AK 99507

907-349-6625

Sent from my iPad

Darrell Breese

From: Paul <pacalaska@gci.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 8:17 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Memo:

Paul Carnicelli, 40 year resident of Anchorage Alaska..I rely on subsistence fish. Go Get Em Bill.

Darrell Breese

From: Sherry Corle <nanny.corle@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 8:08 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Bill HB18

I am a Chitina Dipnetter. Fish should be allocated first to dip netters for use. I use the salmon I harvest for feeding my family. Winter subsistence. With the cost of energy sky rocketing I must depend on these fish to survive. These fish are an Alaskan resource & are being used improperly for commercial and guided use in out of state interests. Thank you Gary L. Corle

Gary L. Corle
2614 Gordon Rd.
North Pole AK 99705

907-488-0819

nanny.corle@gmail.com

Darrell Breese

From: Susan Coyner <rc2ak@gci.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 8:08 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18 Personal use fisheries

Mr. Stoltze,

I wanted to let you know that I appreciate your support of dipnetters. As a member of the Chitina Dipnetters ASSN and the Alaska Outdoor Council, this issue is very important to me and my family. Dipnetting is certainly the mainstay of my family's fish consumed throughout the year. Please contact me if there are any further public comments needed about support for your HB 18. Thanks.

V/r

Robert Coyner

19838 Driftwood Bay Drive

Eagle River, AK 99577

907-622-4476

Darrell Breese

From: Bob Howard <bobhoward@gci.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 7:49 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Re: Dipnetting Legislation

You understand as well as I that Paul doesn't mind taking food from my table so he can put food on his table. He makes his living in this business and his position is very self serving- as is mine but mine is keeping with the intent of our constitution.

Sent from my iPad

On Mar 17, 2014, at 7:38 PM, "Rep. Bill Stoltze" <Rep.Bill.Stoltze@akleg.gov> wrote:

Thank you for your email supporting House Bill 18, Personal Use Fishing Priority. This legislation is important to me and is something that I have been working to make a reality for since 2007, but have been faced with strong opposition from commercial fishing interest and legislators who are sympathetic to the industry.

Despite widespread support of people from all around Alaska, HB 18 which is designed to put Alaskan's first when it comes to having opportunities to catch fish to fill their freezers and feed their families, my efforts continue to meet with opposition.

I hopeful, but not optimistic, that House Bill 18 will move out of the House Special Committee on Fisheries during the hearing in the morning. The committee chairman, Rep. Paul Seaton of Homer, is among the legislators who have not been supportive of our Alaska resident only personal use fisheries.

No matter the outcome in tomorrow's committee hearing, I am committed to continuing to fight for the rights of Alaska's to benefit from Alaska's salmon over the interest of commercial fishing. I, and my family, are among the tens of thousands of Alaskans who fill our freezers or pantries (cans and jars) with wild Alaska salmon.

Thanks again for your support and continued efforts toward the passage of this bill.

Best Regards,

Bill Stoltze

State Representative

On Mar 17, 2014, at 2:21 PM, "Bob Howard" <bobhoward@gci.net> wrote:

Dip net fishing is extremely important to those of us who can participate in it. It is a food for my family. I support the legislation that puts it as a priority ahead of the other beneficial uses of the resource(HB18).

Robert Howard

629 Rangeview Ave.

Homer

Sent from my iPad

Darrell Breese

From: Bruce Morgan <sampson@acsalaska.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 7:45 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: House Bill 18

HB 18, "An act providing priority to personal use fisheries when fish restrictions are implemented to achieve a management goal."

Representative Stolze,

My family of 5 believes it is in the best interest of the Alaskan Public to be provided "priority" in the PERSONAL USE fishery when fishing restrictions are implemented!

To be considered a participant in the Personal Use fishery, the person must be an ALASKAN resident!

NEED I SAY MORE?

Does our Political base understand that COMMERCIAL FISHING is only a TOOL to be used by the Department of Fish to STOP OVER-ESCAPEMENT of fish?

A Commercial fishing permit is not a RIGHT TO FISH.

The Commercial fishery is OWED NO FISH by owning a commercial permit.

The Commercial fishery IS JUST A TOOL available to the Dept of Fish to prevent over-escapement if needed.

THAT IS A FACT.

SO, why would we not have the personal use fishery open at ANY TIME a commercial fishery is open?

The personal use fishery should also be considered FIRST as a means of stopping over-escapement of sockeye or other species of salmon,

It should not be, commercial fishing....then personal use fishing

Anytime the personal use fishery is open, if this fishery cannot handle the abundance of fish and over-escapement is imminent,

THEN AND ONLY THEN should the commercial fleet be called on to fish!

Bruce R. Morgan and Family

Robin Childs, wife


Dependant Children; Cade, Colt, and Calie Morgan

6230 Petrified Tree Circle

Anchorage, Alaska 99507

907 346 4855

(I am also a member of the Anchorage Fish and Game Advisory Committee, these comments above are my own)

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Darrell Breese

From: Gene and Chris Kisse <gkisse@mtaonline.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 7:28 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Dear Rep Stoltz. I want to go on record as being in favor of HB18 so that the fish resources of Alaska will be more fairly accessible to all Alaska residents instead of just commercial interests and want to encourage its passage. Thank you , Eugene Kisse 17916 tedrow drive Eagle River,99577 ,907-694-9719,
gkisse@mtaonline.net

Darrell Breese

From: Thomas Wadzinski <twadzin@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 7:26 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Personal Fisheries

I believe Personal Fisheries should have priority over Commercial Fisheries.
Personal Fisheries do not decimate fish supplies as Commercial Fisheries tend to do. All over the world!

This is fish for Alaskans. Not fish for Seattle Fisherman. (I don't understand why Seattle has the bulk of the licenses to catch fish!)
The money from their fishing goes to Seattle, not Alaska.

It is in our interests to protect Alaska interests and resources.

Thanks for listening (Reading)

Tom Wadzinski
Anchorage

Darrell Breese

From: Dennis Hamann <66mustang@mtaonline.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 6:16 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Hello Rep.Stoltze,

Just a quick note to say I support providing for Alaskans to fill their freezers before we give the rest to Commercial interests.

Thanks,

Denny Hamann

Darrell Breese

From: Terry Boyle <tcbhunter@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 5:23 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Dipnet Fisheries

Terry C Boyle

I think Alaskan residents need this personal use resource. We need to reel in the Commercial Fisheries , there's too much By Catch going on !

Darrell Breese

From: Larry Kappel <lkappel@mosquitonet.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 5:23 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Personal Use Fisheries

Most Honorable Representative Stoltze:

I have been dipnetting for Kings and Reds on the Copper River for over 19 years. Dipnetting for Salmon on the Copper River is a valuable source of food for my family. I have always believed that when the Copper River fishery was declared a Personal use fishery, we should have a higher priority for taking salmon than commercial fishing, sport fishing, and chartered sport fishing. I am really enthused and happy that you are representing us in such a great way.

Many thanks

Larry Kappel
2251 Peede Rd
North Pole, AK 99705
907-488-5861

Darrell Breese

From: Charlie Franz <charlie@xyz.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 4:58 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Personal Use Fisheries - HB 18

Honorable Representative Stoltze,

Thank you very much for standing up for the rights of the average Alaskan and not bowing down to the strong political influence of the commercial fishermen and commercial guides. For some reason, these two groups seem to think that the fish belong to them rather than being a resource to be shared by all Alaskans as our constitution provides.

I fully support allocating fish to the personal use sector in preference to the commercial users in times of shortage. If needed, personal use limits can be modified a bit to make sure that the needed number of fish are left in the rivers for spawning.

Respectfully,
Charlie Franz
Homer

Darrell Breese

From: Clemens M. Clooten <cmclooten@ci.fairbanks.ak.us>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 4:50 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Rep. Bill Stoltze,

Thank you for your effort regarding HB 18. I support this bill! There should be a priority for personal use fisheries when fish restrictions are implemented to achieve a management goal

Thank you again,

Clem Clooten

Darrell Breese

From: linjim@mtaonline.net
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 4:44 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Personal Use Fisheries Bill

Hi Rep. Stoltze,

I read a short note on HB 18 and I believe this is a bill that is needed for families to help with food during the winter. This is not a sport fishery. I do believe that the numbers of fish allowed could be reduced per family. And, more control over how many fish are actually being taken by people. The rules/laws need to be adhered to for numbers taken, fish marked and permit marked before leaving the fishing location.

Thank you,

Linda Page

P O Box 872912

Wasilla, AK 99687-2912

email: linjim@mtaonline.net

Darrell Breese

From: Dennis Wheeler <fishwheeler101@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 4:31 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

We support HB 18, Dennis and Dora Wheeler, 13001 E Norman Ave. Palmer, 99645, 745-4932

Darrell Breese

From: Bing <hap@gci.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 4:11 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: SUPPORT US

PLEASE STAND UP FOR US THE DIPNETTERS, THIS HELP FEED FAMILYS

Darrell Breese

From: Burt Myers <ibbuffalo@gci.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 4:11 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Dear Representative Stoltze,

I am not in favor of HB 18. While I am in favor of Alaskan residents to harvest fish with priority over commercial fisheries, I do not feel dipnetters should be elevated above sport and guided sport fisheries.

Thank you for your consideration,

Burt Myers

PO Box 671689
Chugiak, AK 99567

907-688-0737

[Ibuffalo@gci.net](mailto:ibbuffalo@gci.net)

Darrell Breese

From: Carol & Norma Christiansen <ccnpchris@mtaonline.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 4:10 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Cc: Sarah Page
Subject: Ref HB18

Hi Rep. Bill Stoltze;

We (me and my family) are definitely favor of HB 18, "An act providing priority to personal use fisheries when fish restrictions are implemented to achieve a management goal." .

We have used depnetting for as long as it has been available.

Carol Chrisrtiansen

Darrell Breese

From: Byron Haley <bwhaley4@pci.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 4:07 PM
To: Sen. John Coghill; Rep. David Guttenberg; Rep. Scott Kawasaki; Mike Kelly; Rep. Bill Stoltze
Cc: BYRON W. HALEY 12 13
Subject: HB#18

THAT SHOULD BE HB #18 INSTEAD OF HB 16
BYRON W HALEY
1002 PIONEER RD
FAIRBANKS, AK. 99701-2818
CDA TREASURER

Darrell Breese

From: Mark Vallarino <mpvallarino@alaska.edu>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 4:01 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Hello Bill

We need to make sure that dipnetters have a priority for personal use fishing.

Thanks

Mark

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Mark Vallarino
Systems Analyst
School of Fish and Ocean Sciences
University of Alaska Fairbanks
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Fairbanks, AK 99775-7220

Darrell Breese

From: Brian <kiwiak@ak.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 3:36 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Re HB 18 Personal Use Fisheries Bill - Very important

I have always found it interesting that big business had first call on making a profit over subsistence fisheries catching their staples.

Fish is a major staple in much of Alaska's diet. And we deserve the right to enjoy it without being starved out by the commercial interests.

Brian Kemp

7601 Pleasure View Cir

Anchorage AK 99507

In Alaska

Darrell Breese

From: Byron Haley <bwhaley4@gci.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 3:35 PM
To: Sen. John Coghill; Rep. David Guttenberg
Cc: BYRON W. HALEY 12 13
Subject: HB 18

I am very much in support of HB#16 we have every right to feed are family.

Byron W Haley
1002 Pioneer Rd
Fairbanks, AK. 99701-2818
CDA Treasurer

Darrell Breese

From: Willy <fishtales@alaska.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 3:33 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB18

This bill needs to be passed it is long overdue Wilfred Blais Delta Jct Alaska 1165 James road

Darrell Breese

From: John Macgirvin <jmacgirvin@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 3:17 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Please allow person use fishing, dip netting, as a priority of commercial uses. My food supply relies upon it. I really need it to get by.

Warmest Regards,

John D Macgirvin
PO Box 436
2925 Pirates LN
Kenai, AK 99611-0436
907-717-9973.

Sent from my iPhone

Darrell Breese

From: Melvin Grove <mbgrove@mtaonline.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 3:01 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB18

Representative Stoltze,

I strongly support HB18. It's long overdue that Alaskan residents have a priority over the commercial exploration of our food resources. Aside from subsistence, personnel use should have a higher priority over commercial use.

Thanks for fighting for Alaskans. After all, gathering our own personal food resources is one of the reasons most Alaskans live in our great state.

Best Regards,

Mel Grove
907-440-9148/907-200-2202
2877 South Knollwood Drive, Big Lake, AK 99652

Darrell Breese

From: O'Regan & Kahlenbeck <orka@gci.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 2:59 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB18

Rep. Stoltze-

Please support HB18. Personal use should be valued ahead of commercial use of Alaska's fish resources.

Ron Kahlenbeck
Anchorage, AK
907-333-1252

Darrell Breese

From: cderrickak@aim.com
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 2:47 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18 Support

I have participated in the Chitina Dipnet Fishery since the 1970's. During that time I have seen the bag limit reduced from 45 salmon plus 15 additional fish per household member to today's 15 salmon for a household of one and 30 salmon for a household of two or more with a couple of supplemental periods added each summer allowing for 10 extra fish. The dipnet season has gone from being open June 1 to September 1 to the current emergency openings based on unreliable sonar counts. The king salmon part of the bag limit has gone from 5 per permit down to 1 and since 2009 the retention of the 1 king has either been totally eliminated or limited to the first 2 weeks of the season. In 5AAC 77.591 (f) the Alaska Board of Fisheries even saw fit to put in language that if the Cordova Copper River Commercial fleet were not allowed to fish for 13 consecutive days, then the 100,000-150,000 salmon allocation to the Chitina Dipnet Fishery would be reduced to 50,000 for the remainder of the season. Over the years I have even seen several attempts by commercial fish interests to eliminate the dipnet fishery altogether.

Keep in mind that between 2003 and 2012 out of the average yearly total during that period of 1,549,548 sockeye and king salmon harvested by all users in the Copper River salmon fisheries (commercial, personal use, subsistence and sport) the Chitina Dipnet Fishery average annual harvest during that period was 115,210 sockeye and king salmon or **7%** of the total harvest of all users. During that same period the average annual commercial harvest of sockeye and king salmon was 1,304,272 or **84%** of the 1,549,548 total.

The Board of Fisheries is always heavily weighted with commercial fishing interests. This current Board I'm told has 5 of the 7 members holding commercial fishing licenses (permits). This makeup has made it nearly impossible to get proposals beneficial to the dipnet fishery passed. For this reason personal use dipnetters have turned to the legislature to correct this commercial bias and place Alaska residents feeding their families as the highest priority. Dipnetting, as born out by the sheer number of permit holders statewide, is the method by choice of Alaska residents to supply salmon to their families.

Chuck Derrick
President Chitina Dipnetters Assn.
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Fairbanks, Ak. 9970
Ph. 907-488-3093

Darrell Breese

From: Gary Stevens <garyatsls@cs.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 2:44 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB18

Rep. Bill Stoltze,

As one of your constituents, I want to thank you for HB18. I support it because I believe that Alaskans putting food on their tables should have a higher priority than commercial fisheries. The bottom line is that letting more fish into our rivers increases opportunity for subsistence, personal use, and sport/recreational fisheries. Plus, it improves the health of the resources and helps ensure their sustainability. Please feel free to contact me if any questions or to discuss further.

Sincerely,
Gary A. Stevens
Chugiak
garyatsls@cs.com
907-229-4710

Darrell Breese

From: Kenneth Raby <salchapoacher@icloud.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 2:27 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HR 18

I strongly endorse this bill HB 18. It puts the people of Alaska first. This year I did not find a moose but limited out on salmon from dip netting, it would have been a rough winter without it. Many families I know depend on salmon for meat during these high heat fuel prices lately.

Thank you,

Kenneth Raby
Salcha, Ak

Sent from my iPhone

Darrell Breese

From: Bob Howard <bobhoward@gci.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 2:22 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Dipnetting Legislation

Dip net fishing is extremely important to those of us who can participate in it. It is a food for my family. I support the legislation that puts it as a priority ahead of the other beneficial uses of the resource(HB18).

Robert Howard
629 Rangeview Ave.
Homer

Sent from my iPad

Darrell Breese

From: Ken's Gmail <kmears5@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 2:15 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: AS 16.05.251(personal Use)

Dear Sir. Please help this personal use fishery bill's passage! It's what our .constitution specifies for AK's permanent residents.

I've been in AK for 52 years & have seen fish traps replaced by outside guides & commercial fishermen that take nearly all our salmon. We need to have justice for Alaska's majority! Thank you very much. Ken Mears 1941 Wickersham Dr. Anchorage,AK 99507 tel: 907-563-7616 Sent from Ken's iPod

Darrell Breese

From: Rick Moore <auroralightsllc@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 2:06 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: hb18

Mr Bill My name is Rick Moore. I live at 36663 Marcia ln in Soldotna on the Kenai river. My phone number is 252-6282 I would request you to help push through Hb18. As a Alaska resident, The residents of Alaska should have priority to obtain fish in the river, Over the commercial fisheries. It is unfair that we can get shut down, but they can put in nets an take large amounts of fish, that we need to feed our families. Thank you for your time Rick Moore on the Kenai

Darrell Breese

From: bill hanson <billbonh@mtaonline.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 2:03 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Dip netting

I think it is very important for residents of Alaska to have a priority over commercial fisheries.
I support bill HB18
Thanks William Hanson

Darrell Breese

From: Ron Somerville <somerville@gci.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 1:56 PM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Bill:

I wanted to let you know that I support the objectives of HB 18. There is some opposition from “sport, recreational and other fishermen. Saying that the taking of fish for personal or family food by Alaskan residents has a higher priority after subsistence uses, would solve that problem.

Thanks for your support.

Ron Somerville

Darrell Breese

From: Harry E. "Budd" Goodyear, MSM, MLA <bg@mtaonline.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 12:26 PM
To: Membership; Rep. Lynn Gattis; Rep. Bill Stoltze; Rep. Wes Keller
Subject: Opinion HB 18

AOC quote:

If dip netters want to be elevated above sport, guided sport, and commercial fisheries...

I am opposed to elevating dip netters above sport and guided sport uses. But please DO put them ahead of commercial use.

Budd Goodyear
Wasilla Area
Registered Voter

Darrell Breese

From: lkunderwood13@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 11:31 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Sir,

I support HB 18 and believe that Alaskans should have priority over the commercial fisheries as well as guided sports fisherman Thanks, Lee Underwood

Sent from my iPhone

Darrell Breese

From: Randy Bjorgan <bjorgan@alaska.net>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 10:53 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB 18

Representative Stoltze,

My wife and I support HB 18.

Until last year we never participated in the dip net fishery. Because of physical limitations, resulting from health issues limiting outdoor activities, I was invited by a couple of friends to utilize the dip net fishing method to obtain enough fish to fill the home freezer for this winter's meals. Without the dip netting activity we would have run out of fish before Christmas as the days of river fishing were few and the number of fish caught was even fewer. Normally my wife and I have been able to catch enough for the winter from the river on rod and reel, which we don't consider "Sports Fishing". We are out there to fill the freezer, not to kill fish for "sport" with catch and release activity.

We believe that if you catch a fish or shoot an animal, you eat it, not sell it.

As long as the commercial fisheries are allowed to rape Alaska resources and deprive Alaskans food for their table, measures need to be implemented to enable us to fill our freezer, and HB 18 is one of these measures.

Thank you for your efforts.

Bjorgan

Randy & Margaret Bjorgan

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Darrell Breese

From: Rome Gilman <rome@wsiak.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 10:02 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Cc: Rome Gilman
Subject: Dip netting is a priority.

Bill,

How are you doing? I wanted to add my support for priority of personnel use fishing over commercial use. I think we have long had the cart before the horse on this issue. I feel the list should be as follows:

Priority 1. Sport fishing which should have a different name like "most sustainable with the highest dollar return per pound of fish".

Priority 2. Personnel use fishing/dip netting. I think this should be the same as Priority 1 but that is not how we have chosen to word our rules and regulations. If they were one in the same it would be a much cleaner process.

Priority 3. Commercial fishing should be a harvest of all excess fish that are not needed by the residents for sustenance.

This is my take on the issue's on fishing. The State Constitution sets a priority for Citizens first. We all own the resource and as such should have first opportunity to harvest the surplus.

Due to the nature of Salmon returns the commercial guys hit the fish first and so we simply need to control that a little better to preserve stocks. I was watching a show on salmon fishing last night and it was obvious to me that the drifters were hitting the Cook inlet Westside fishery pretty hard. This would most likely explain the low returns to the Susitna drainage. I know from years of living here that these fish travel the North west side of the inlet. Fish that side, catch those fish. I am not against commercial fishing and do not want to see this industry damaged as we need every bit of economy boosting activity that we can get here in Alaska. However I have come to realize from the years of living I have done that commercial fishing in Alaska has become a far higher boon to Southern States and Foreign countries than our own citizens. I would not be against a Local fisherman preference to keep some of the money in our state.

Thanks for the time

Orville "Rome" Gilman III

Darrell Breese

From: jake sprankle <jakesprankle@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 9:58 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB18

Once again Bill, Thank you for looking out for Alaska residents and putting them above the commercial fishing industry. I fully appreciate and support your HB18. I wish we had more Representatives like you.

Best,
Jake Sprankle
2665 Monteverde RD
Fairbanks, AK 99709
907-590-3462

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"Malo periculosam, libertatem quam quietam servitutem." - Thomas Jefferson

Darrell Breese

From: paul holland <pcgholland@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 9:50 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Thanks on HB 18!

Hi

Thank you for your work on HB 18! I know you've been working on this for some time. A few years ago I was at a hearing or first reading? where you had a bill introduced that would of made the Priority for harvest to be; Subsistence, Personal use, and then Commercial. Anything I can do to help with your Bill's progress please let me know.

I am a Board Member of Chitina Dipnetters and we strongly support the priority for Copper River Salmon to Alaskan's and their families before that of Commercial Fishers, many of who are not even Alaskan Residents.

Again thanks for your efforts,

Paul Holland

Board Member Chitina Dipnetters

Darrell Breese

From: paul holland <pcgholland@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 17, 2014 9:42 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: Thanks of HB 18!

Darrell Breese

From: Vern Aiton <v8n@wildak.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 10:43 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Subject: HB-18

Representative Stoltze,

The members of Delta Sportsmens Assn feel very strongly that subsistence fisheries should have priority over commercial and sport fisheries.

Thank you

Vern Aiton
DSA, Director

Darrell Breese

From: Wayne Heimer <weheimer@alaska.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 18, 2014 10:41 AM
To: Rep. Bill Stoltze
Cc: Rep. Tammie Wilson; Rep. Scott Kawasaki; Rep. David Guttenberg; Rep. Steve Thompson
Subject: HB 18

Rep. Stoltze, et al.

I support HB 18. The "personal use" classification has always been a way of prioritizing commercial interests in salmon above the use of Chitina red salmon for food by Alaskans. In any rational world, such use would be considered subsistence. I infer that's what HB 18 would do, and I'm for it.

Wayne Heimer
1098 Chena Pump Road
Fairbanks, Alaska 99709