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Subject: HB 161

Dear Legislators

Thank you all for taking the time to read my letter. I am writing to add my voice to those of many other Alaskans who are worried and disgusted about HB 161, which proposes a number of changes to the "Governor's Permit" system. I am writing as a lifelong hunter. This bill is a disservice to Alaskan hunters. It reduces our opportunity to hunt many big game species in Alaska, while purporting to help outside organizations support management of our resources. In reality it will just give our money and resources to outside groups with little or no interest in Alaska's best interests or its citizens. It also places rich hunters who can afford auction tags above the laws, regulations, and seasons the rest of us must follow. In short, it puts the rich above the law, at our expense.

I am sick over the fact that such an undemocratic bill could ever be considered in any US state, let alone Alaska. I beg you to please do everything in your power to defeat this bill.

Thank you for your time,

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