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Summary of Changes to CSHB 137(FIN)am – Version H to Version S.A

- Reduced the following resident license fees:
 - Hunting license from \$35 to \$30
 - Hunting and trapping combination license from \$50 to \$45
 - Hunting and sport fishing combination license from \$50 to \$45
 - Hunting, trapping, and sport fishing combination license from \$70 to \$60
- Eliminated increase of the resident low-income hunting, trapping, and sport fishing license. Eliminated conforming amendments by deleting Sections 13, 17, 19, and 22 in Version H.
- Changed the income limit from \$29,820 to match the most recent poverty guidelines for Alaska for the individual's household size.
- Changed the following nonresident license fees:
 - 14-day sport fishing license from \$75 to \$60
 - Seven-day sport fishing license from \$45 to \$40
 - Hunting license from \$125 to \$130
 - Hunting and trapping combination license from \$375 to \$350
- Changed the following nonresident big game tag fees:
 - Black Bear from \$335 to \$600
 - o Brown/Grizzly Bear from \$750 to \$1,200
 - Bison from \$675 to \$900
 - Caribou from \$485 to \$650
 - Deer from \$225 to \$275
 - Elk and Goat from \$450 to \$575
 - Moose from \$600 to \$800
 - Sheep from \$635 to \$850
 - Wolf from \$45 to \$30
 - Wolverine from \$260 to \$325
 - Musk Oxen from \$1,650 to \$2,200

- Eliminated the creation of new resident big game tags and raising currently existing big game tags. Deleted section making a conforming amendment relating to resident musk oxen tag fees.
- Increased the waterfowl conservation tag from \$5 to \$10.
- Increased the nonresident alien hunting license fee from \$450 to \$600
- Changed the following nonresident alien big game tag fees:
 - Black Bear from \$450 to \$600
 - Brown/Grizzly Bear and Bison from \$975 to \$1,300
 - Caribou from \$635 from \$850
 - Deer from \$300 to \$400
 - Elk and goat from \$600 to \$800
 - Moose from \$750 to \$1,000
 - Musk oxen from \$2,250 to \$3,000
 - Sheep from \$825 to \$1,100
 - Wolf from \$75 to \$50
 - Wolverine from \$375 to \$500
- Creates a new section requiring the Department of Fish & Game to annually produce a voluntary fish and game conservation decal that is available to the public.
 - The commissioner may also provide for the selection of designs for the conservation decal and may produce different decals at different.
 - The fee for the fish and game conservation decal is \$20 per person.
 - The department may use revenue from the decal to fund fish and wildlife conservation programs.
- Raised the requirement for a resident to obtain a hunting, trapping, and sport fishing licenses from 16 to 18.
 - Conforming amendments to this increase are made in Sections 2, 19, and 23 in Version S.
- Decreased the age of eligibility for an identification card for a resident hunting, trapping, or sport fishing license from 65 in Version H, to 62 in Version S.
 - Conforming amendments to this decrease are made in Sections 2, 19, and 23 in Version S.
 - Requires a resident that receives this identification card to renew it every three years.
 - Adds conforming amendments in sections 27, 28, 29, 30, and 31.
- Allows a resident with a valid hunting or fishing license to take game or fish on behalf of a person who has a developmental disability.
- Creates Sections 1, 4, 9, 11, 13, 15, and 32 to allow the sport fishing surcharge under AS 16.05.340(j) to be repealed and combine the fee for the surcharge with all fishing license fees, increasing each fee by \$9 when the fish hatchery bonds under AS 37.15.765-37.15.799 are paid off.

• Creates a new effective date for these sections to go into effect when the commissioner of the Department of Fish & Game notifies the revisor of statutes that the bonds and any other related fees have been fully paid.

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