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Senate Bill 48 Sponsor Statement

“Come Home to Hunt or Fish”

SB 48 would encourage and make it possible for former Alaskans to “come home to hunt or fish” with parents, siblings, and family members. This would promote the reconnection of Alaska family values and traditions by encouraging family members to return to Alaska during hunting or fishing seasons. Qualifying applicants would be able to obtain hunting and fishing licenses at resident rates.

Procedurally, a former Alaskan, with family members who are still Alaskan residents could submit an application to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. The applicant must show that he or she has held a resident hunting or fishing license in the past and is now sponsored to return and hunt or fish in Alaska with an adult family member. The applicant must be related to the adult family member to the “second degree of kindred” by marriage or blood. The adult family member must be a current Alaska resident and properly licensed.

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