Helen Phillips

From:

Rep. Steve Thompson

Sent:

Tuesday, March 31, 2015 1:20 PM

To:

Helen Phillips; Jane Pierson

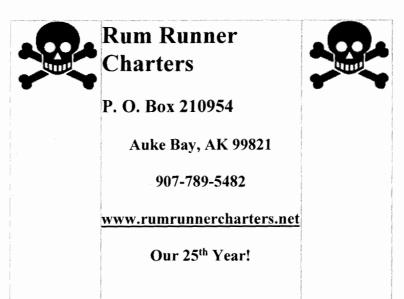
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FW: Support for House Bill 41

From: Chris Conder [mailto:rumrunnr@alaska.net]
Sent: Wednesday, January 28, 2015 4:54 PM

To: Rep. Steve Thompson

Subject: Support for House Bill 41



January 23, 2015

Re: Support of Sport Fishing Guide License Program HB41

Dear Rep. Steve Thompson:

I am writing you to express my strong support for House Bill 41; reinstatement of the Sport Fishing Guide License Program that sunseted on December 31, 2014.

This program has been working well and is not only in the best interests of the industry but also in the best interest of the public as it ensured that fishing guides and operators met certain industry standards and safety requirements. This program had functioned for many years without any issues that I am aware of.

Without approval of HB 41 there will be no avenue in place through ADF&G to properly process applications for Sport Fishing Guide Service providers or operators unless the onerous Fishing Guide Board is established.

Our industry is already fully regulated by NMFS, NOAA, USCG, and ADF&G and HB 41. We simply do not need more red tape and the politics that a Fishing Guide Board would create. Our State does not need the additional expense of establishing and maintaining this board.

The proposed fee structure of the Sport Fishing Guide Program would make the program pay for itself without additional cost to the State. If costs needed to be reduced even further, the Guide Log book would be simple to streamline, saving expense both in production and tabulation.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Capt. Chris Conder

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----Original Message----

From: Paul Johnson [mailto:gull.cove@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, March 31, 2015 12:01 PM

To: Rep. Steve Thompson; Rep. Mark Neuman; Rep. Bryce Edgmon; Rep. Cathy Munoz; Rep. Tammie Wilson; Rep. Lynn

Gattis; Rep. Dan Saddler; Rep. Lance Pruitt; Rep. David Guttenberg; Rep. Scott Kawasaki; Rep. Les Gara

Subject: House bill 41

Hello, I understand you are going to listen to more testimony on house bill 41. Please understand that the dept of sport fish has log books again this year with out this bill. I understand that they feel that the fish board direction allows for this action. So as far as the information is concerned nothing will be lost. Since this whole issue needs a close look at and the bare boat issue, along with a host of other issues please hold it till next year. The resource is safe. Nasty day to be traveling on the boat but spring is here! My best. Paul Johnson.