

HOUSE BILL NO. 134

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPHSON

Introduced: 2/20/17

Referred: Resources

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the composition of the Board of Game."**

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 * **Section 1.** AS 16.05.221(b) is amended to read:

4 (b) For purposes of the conservation and development of the game resources
5 of the state, there is created a Board of Game composed of seven members appointed
6 by the governor, subject to confirmation by a majority of the members of the
7 legislature in joint session. The governor shall appoint each member on the basis of
8 interest in public affairs, good judgment, knowledge, and ability in the field of action
9 of the board, and with a view to providing diversity of interest and points of view in
10 the membership. **One member shall be appointed who is actively engaged in the**
11 **tourism industry. At least one member shall be appointed whose predominant**
12 **use of game resources is nonconsumptive, such as tourism, wildlife viewing, or**
13 **scientific study. The knowledge and personal experience of the membership of**
14 **the board, taken as a whole, shall directly reflect all of the uses of game in the**
15 **state by residents, including sport and subsistence hunting and trapping, tourism,**

1 **wildlife viewing, and scientific study.** The appointed members shall be residents of
2 the state and shall be appointed without regard to political affiliation or geographical
3 location of residence. The commissioner is not a member of the Board of Game, but
4 shall be ex officio secretary.

5 * **Sec. 2.** The uncoded law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
6 read:

7 APPLICABILITY. The terms of the members of the Board of Game who are serving
8 on the effective date of this Act are not affected by the amendment to AS 16.05.221(b) in sec.
9 1 of this Act.