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Senator Wilson,

As a member of the Big Game Commercial Services Board (BGCSB), I am amazed at the amount of mis-information that is placed on public record during committee hearings. I would like to respond to one statement in particular that has been made repeatedly during public testimony.

“The BGCS Board has an extensive case backlog with a resounding 200 plus investigations open”.

Currently, the Investigative Division of the Division of Commerce who provides services for licenses which are under the purview of the BGCSB has approximately 56 open cases. It is important to realize case logs are ongoing, some will close soon while others will surface. The number of open cases is constantly changing due to the consistent and extremely efficient work completed daily by investigations.

The following is an account of the current 56 open cases.

19 Cases prepared for board review and ruling during the next annual meeting April 2-4, 2019
13 Cases currently active with the Alaska Wildlife Troopers. (Investigations is monitoring awaiting AWT action)
10 Cases are at some level of litigation through the Office of Administration Hearings.
2 Cases are complete and in the hands of the respondents to accept or reject the proposed actions in accordance with the administrative process.
12 Cases are ongoing; 7 are Breach of Contract Complaint issues, 4 are license application problems.

As you can see by this **factual** information provided by the Division of Commerce Investigations division, much information is being provided that is blatantly false. I send you this letter because I truly believe it is our responsibility to identify fact from unsubstantiated claims when making decisions that will effect the people of Alaska and its natural resources.

Thank you for time,

Jason Bunch
Member, BGCSB