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## SB 87 Taking of Big Game by Non-residents SPONSOR STATEMENT

SB 87 is being introduced to address the debate about nonresident taking of big game. The bill replaces the permissive “may” with the mandatory “shall” in AS 16.05.256. The bill does not rescind the Board of Game’s authority to make wildlife allocation decisions, but it does require the Board of Game, “through a permit system”, to limit the harvest of big game by nonresidents.