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Representative Gary Knopp
State Capitol Room 410
Juneau AK, 99801

Dear Representative Knopp,

United Fishermen of Alaska wants to express our support for your efforts in securing a bill that would allow for surface transportation of all species of live crab as laid out in AS 16.10.240.

As the current law stands, only Opilio Crab and Golden King Crab may be transported via ground and all other species must be sent live via air freight after pre-packaging. This has created a hindrance and cost burden for our commercial fishermen and processors.

We support the new language to include "all of these species may be shipped live via air freight or surface freight after pre-packaging, provided they have first been lawfully landed in an Alaskan port and recorded on a fish ticket."

We thank you for your attention to this issue and offer our support.

Regards,

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President

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Executive Director

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