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Sectional Analysis

HB247: Sport Fishing Enhancement Surcharge (version U)

Section 1

Amends AS 16.05.130(e) to name the newly created sub-account of the fish and fund the sport fishing enhancement account. This section also restricts the use of the sub-account to maintenance of sport fishing facilities, sport fish enhancement programs and management of sport fisheries. This section also removes all language which references the enterprise account and the revenue bond. These amendments will go into effect January 1 the year following the bond being paid and closure of the enterprise account.

Section 2

Amends AS 16.05.340(j) to reference the new enhancement surcharge and new funding purpose, it removes all language referencing the revenue bond, it also reduces all existing license surcharge amounts by \$2.50. These amendments will go into effect January 1 the year following the bond being paid and closure of the enterprise account.

Section 3

Repeals \S 21, ch. 18, SLA 2016. This section made a conforming amendment which removed reference to 16.05.340(j) because the section would have been repealed once the revenue bond is satisfied.

Section 4

Removes AS 16.05.130(e) and AS 16.05.340(j) from § 34, ch. 18, SLA 2016, which is the repealing section. This will retain the sections after the revenue bond has been satisfied and allow the amendments from sections 1 and 2 of this legislation to go into effect.

Section 5

Amends uncodified law in § 35, ch. 18, SLA 2016 to remove reference to § 21, ch. 18, SLA 2016. This section effectively removed reference to AS 16.05.340(j) upon repayment of the revenue bond. This section will now be retained therefore, the repeal is removed.

Section 6

Adds transition language to uncodified law which transfers the balance of the enterprise account to the new sport fishing enhancement account January 1 following the calendar year that the revenue bond obligation is satisfied.

Section 7

Adds new conditional effect to uncodified law which states that sections 1 and 2 of this legislation will only go into effect once the commissioner of fish and game notifies the revisor of statutes that the principal amount of the bond and any other obligations of the bond have been paid.

Section 8

Amends § 36, ch. 18, SLA 2016 to remove reference to AS 16.05.340(j)

Section 9

Effective date section which states that January 1 of the calendar year following the commissioner notifying the revisor of statutes as required in section 7, sections 1 and 2 of this legislation go into effect.

Section 10

Establishes an immediate effective date for sections 3-10.

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