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HOUSE BILL 54

"An Act establishing the Alaska Invasive Species Council in the Department of Fish and Game; relating to management of invasive species; relating to invasive species management decals; and providing for an effective date."

EXPLANATION OF CHANGES VERSION W TO N

(Revised 2.8.22)

House Fisheries Committee

Version W to O

A new section was added to the bill that amends uncodified law of Alaska with legislative intent language. The language states that the legislature intends that the Department of Fish and Game not to use the state's general fund to support the Alaska Invasive Species Council, and instead finds other sources of funding to support the council. This change was made after the Commissioner of the Department of Fish and Game testified that he believes it is possible to secure grant funds or other designated funds to support the council.

House Finance Committee

Version O to N

A new section was added to the bill that establishes July 1, 2029, sunset date.