



Sectional Analysis

SCS CSHB 79(RES): Sport Fishing Guide Licensing (version G)

Section 1

Establishes license fees for resident salt water sport fishing guides and operators.

- Resident guide license - \$100
- Resident operator license - \$200
- Resident operator and guide combined license - \$200

Establishes license fees for nonresident salt water sport fishing guides and operators.

- Nonresident guide license - \$200
- Nonresident operator license - \$400
- Nonresident operator and guide combined license - \$400

Section 2

Adds new Article to AS 16.40 that

- **AS 16.40.262** – provides stipulations for the salt water sport fishing operator license and defines the license type
 - Includes requirements such as a business license and general liability insurance
- **AS 16.40.272** – provides stipulations for the salt water sport fishing guide license and combined operator guide license, defines both license types
 - Includes requirements such as a current sport fishing license and first aid certification
- **AS 16.40.282** – establishes the logbook reporting requirements for salt water guides and operators. Allows the department to collect fresh water logbook information if the departments deems the information necessary.
- **AS 16.40.292** – establishes penalties for violations the of the chapter
- **AS 16.40.301** – defines “salt water sport fishing guide” and “salt water sport fishing guide services”.

Section 3

Adds salt water sport fishing operator and guide license to AS 25.27.244(s)(2) which defines “license” in statutes regarding the Child Support Services Agency.

Section 4

Uncodified law directing the Department of Fish and Game to prepare a report for the legislature proposing solutions to gathering harvest data for the saltwater rental and unguided fishing industry, due December 1, 2023.

Section 5

Effective date of January 1, 2023.