

LAWS OF ALASKA

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| 2 | and Game; and providing for an effective date. |
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| 4 | * Section 1. AS 16.05.330(a) is amended to read: |
| 5 | (a) Except as otherwise permitted in this chapter, without having the |
| 6 | appropriate license. [OR] tag, or permit in actual possession, a person may not |
| 7 | engage in |
| 8 | (1) sport fishing, including the taking of razor clams; |
| 9 | (2) hunting <u>or [,]</u> trapping [, OR FUR DEALING]; |
| 10 | (3) the farming of fish, fur, or game; |
| 11 | (4) taxidermy <u>or fur dealing</u> ; or |
| 12 | (5) control of nuisance wild birds and nuisance wild small mammals |
| 13 | for compensation. |
| 14 | * Sec. 2. AS 16.05.330 is amended by adding new subsections to read: |

| 1 | (f) A person charged with violating $(a)(1)$ or (2) of this section for failure to |
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| 2 | have a license in actual possession may not be convicted if the person provides, not |
| 3 | later than 30 days after the issuance of the citation, evidence satisfactory to the |
| 4 | arresting or citing agency of a license previously issued to the person that was valid at |
| 5 | the time of the offense. |
| 6 | (g) A license in actual possession may be in paper or electronic form. |
| 7 | (h) A peace officer presented with an electronic device under (g) of this |
| 8 | section is immune from any liability resulting from damage to the device, except that a |
| 9 | peace officer may be liable for civil damages that are the result of the peace officer's |
| 10 | intentional misconduct. |
| 11 | * Sec. 3. AS 16.05.430(a) is amended to read: |
| 12 | (a) Except as provided in <u>AS 16.05.330(f), 16.05.407(b)</u> [AS 16.05.407(b)] |
| 13 | and (d), 16.05.408(b), and 16.05.420(b), a person who violates AS 16.05.330 - |
| 14 | 16.05.420 or a regulation adopted under AS 16.05.330 - 16.05.420 is guilty of a |
| 15 | misdemeanor and upon conviction is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000, or |
| 16 | by imprisonment for not more than six months, or by both. |
| 17 | * Sec. 4. This Act takes effect July 1, 2018. |
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