

# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE



## House Fisheries Committee

### HB 304 Explanation of Changes version I to G

(2/26/2026)

**Sec. 2 - AS 16.05.050 (c)** (Page 1, Lines 12-13) The biennial report has been changed to a report every four years.

**Sec. 3 – AS 16.05.130 (i)** (Page 1, Line 14 – Page 2, Lines 1-10) Changes how monies in the sports fishing angler access account shall be disseminated. First to produce the report, with the remainder to be allocated to programs intended to directly benefit license purchasers by developing, improving, and maintaining access, facilities and other infrastructure, and services for nonmotorized sports fishing.

**Sec. 5 in version I – AS 16.05.340(i)** is removed, because version G no longer has a sunset date and the subsection is therefore no longer necessary.

**Sec 5 – AS 16.05.340** (Page 2, Line 22- Page 3, Line 11) Changes the angler access surcharge from \$1 for sportfish licenses to a specified amount for each sports fishing license type (the new scale can be found on page 3). This section still maintains that residents who are eligible for a low-income resident license or a free military license are exempt from paying a surcharge.

**Sec 7 & Sec 10 in version I** – Are eliminated since version G no longer includes a sunset date. These two sections were in version I and were deleted from version G. Sec. 7 were the repealers for January 1, 2032, sunset date found in section 10 in version I.

**Sec 7 & 8** (Page 3, Lines 18-19) are conforming amendments to the effective dates in version G of HB 304.