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To: House Resources
Subject: HB 201 support

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>> House Resources Committee,

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>> This message is in support of HB 201.

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>> There are many definitions of "Alaskan resident" and I, among others, have long championed the idea of consolidating them using the PFD residency definition.

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>> For example:

>> For many years the CFEC's definition for resident fees for Limited Entry Permits included the statement that a resident fee payer could be out of state (indefinitely) "for good cause". They did eventually strike that phrase from their definition but they did not adopt the PFD definition.

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>> Including the residency definition for CFEC permit holder and commercial crew license holder in HB 201 would result in 2 significant improvements.

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>> #1-Enforcement.

>> The PFD definition of resident is more clear. And.

>> It would be beneficial to be able to compare PFD applicants with those claiming residency for CFEC. (NOTE: Another problem with CFEC is that they do not require/enforce the use of full legal names on permit applications, which complicates residency claim enforcement.)

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>> #2-It would greatly help to clarify how many commercial fishermen ACTUALLY LIVE IN ALASKA. Currently, qualifying to pay Ak resident CFEC permit fees is not synonymous with actually living in Alaska.

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>> Good Luck,

>> Mike Fox

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