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HB 125

*"An Act relating to membership of the Board of Fisheries"*

SECTIONAL ANALYSIS

**Section 1: Amends AS 16.05.221(a)**

- To delete the existing provision granting the governor broad discretion to appoint board members based on interest in public affairs, good judgment, knowledge, and ability in fisheries matters
- To add a structured appointment process specifying that the governor appoints:
  1. Two members representing commercial fishing.
  2. Two members representing sport fishing.
  3. Two members representing subsistence fishing, selected from a list of four names submitted by the Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN). The governor retains the authority to reject the list and request a new one.
  4. One member representing the scientific community, chosen from a list of three names provided by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). The governor may also reject this list and request another.

**Section 2: Adds a Transition Provision**

- **Adds:** A clause stating that current members of the Board of Fisheries will continue to serve until their terms expire. Any appointments made after the bill's effective date must adhere to the new appointment structure established in Section 1.

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