ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE



House Fisheries Committee

House Bill 129: Sectional Analysis

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Section 1: Amends AS 43.75.037(b) to extend the sunset of the Fisheries Product Development Tax Credit from January 1, 2027, to January 1, 2030.

Section 2: Amends AS 43.75.037 (i) to require a preliminary determination of credit eligibility by the Department of Revenue within 60 days of submission.

Section 3: Amends AS 43.75.037(k)(1) to expand the use of the credit to all species of fish and shellfish.

Section 4: Amends AS 43.75.037 (k)(4) to add property that is used "predominately to increase the quality and value of eligible fish" to the definition of "qualified investment," as well as "freezers and other temperature reducing technologies" to the list of qualifiers. This section also clarifies that certain equipment, referenced in (k)(4)(B)(i), must be used specifically in the act of producing eligible value-added products or in increasing the quality and value of eligible fish, and cannot be incidental to such activities.

Section 5: Adds a new paragraph to AS 43.75.037 (k) that defines "used predominantly" as 51% or more of the time.

Section 6: Amends Sec. 6, ch. 31, SLA 2022 with conforming changes to account for the new sunset date of the tax credit.

Section 7: Makes the legislation effective retroactive to January 1, 2025.

Section 8: Amends Sec. 8, ch. 31, SLA 2022 with conforming changes to account for the new sunset date of the tax credit.

Section 9: Contains an immediate effective date for the bill.