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Governor Mike Dunleavy STATE OF ALASKA

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The Honorable Gary Stevens Senate President Alaska State Legislature Capitol Building, Room 111 Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear President Stevens:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18 of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill modifying the duties of the Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute (ASMI) and expanding the definition of "seafood."

Specifically, the bill allows ASMI to promote Alaskan mariculture products by revising the definition of "seafood" to include "aquatic farm products." This revision permits the marketing of propagated Alaskan aquatic plants and shellfish that are either native to state waters or lawfully imported under a permit issued by the Commissioner of the Department of Fish and Game.

I respectfully request your prompt and favorable consideration of this measure.

Sincerely,

Mike Dunleavy

Governor

Enclosure