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**Subject:** HB 260

Co-Chairs and members of Senate Finance Committee

HB 260 is before your committee. Alaska taxidermist are asking for an amendment to the Bill. We understand we are at a disadvantage with only three days left in the session. But we are hopeful that if it is the desire to move this bill to the senate floor for passage. We would like an amendment to HB 260. To remove the requirement to have in possession/ purchase a "TAXIDERMY" license.

Line

11 (4) taxidermy or fur dealing; or

Reason:

This license fee that ADF&G collects dose not benefit the licensee and is very insignificant to ADF&G's budget. The average over the last seven years of licensed taxidermist is 56 at an annual cost/fee of \$100.00 per license. Taxidermist are also required by law to have a State Business License and some cities also require a city business license. We believe there is no reason to have such redundancy in licensing taxidermist.

We believe ADF&G would not be apposed to the amendment. There is one section of regulation that requires a taxidermist be licensed to sell a unclaimed finished product. This amendment would not effect this regulation, as per state law, a taxidermist must possess a state business license and that would satisfy the requirement in [5 AAC 92.031. Permit for selling skins, skulls, and trophies](#).

Please consider this amendment. It is not a game changer for this good bill. A few more Alaskan would appreciate it.

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