

Southeast Alaska Fishermen's Alliance

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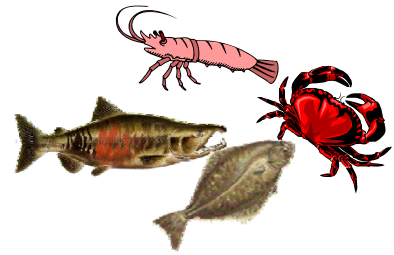
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Alaska State Legislature
House Fisheries Committee
Representative Paul Seaton, Chair
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99811

RE: Support HB 204

Representative Paul Seaton, Chair and Fisheries Committee Members,

Southeast Alaska Fishermen's Alliance (SEAFA) supports HB 204. We are a multi-gear/multi-species membership based commercial fishing association. We represent our membership mainly involved in the salmon, crab, shrimp and longline fisheries of Southeast Alaska/Yakutat.

Southeast Alaska Fishermen's Alliance supports HB 204 which will extend the salmon production development tax credit to 2020 and adding herring as well as salmon. This has been a good program over the years in helping to increase the value of salmon and we believe will have the same benefits to the herring fishery. The bill also encourages the utilization of development opportunities of salmon and herring by-catch.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathy Hansen" followed by a long horizontal line.

Kathy Hansen
Executive Director