To The House Special Fisheries Committee: Chair Stutes and Committee Members:

I'd like to take this opportunity to voice my opposition to HB 251. As an Alaskan citizen and a commercial fisherman I can tell you that our industry is already taxed heavily.

We already face rising costs of doing business along with the falling price paid for salmon and other products. In addition there is the high cost of individual health insurance plans in Alaska.

Again, I oppose HB 251.

Sincerely, Heather O'Neil