To House Resources

Cc Rep. David Talerico

As an Alaskan who holds a valid hunting/fishing license, I fully support the amendment to HB137 that would provide opportunity to purchase a "wildlife viewing" certificate provided that the funds generated by the purchases are dedicated to ADFG wildlife diversity educational and conservation programs (non-hunting/fishing/trapping programs).

Although this would be a voluntary license or certification program, it is likely that many people, like me, would add this to their hunting and fishing licenses to emphasize the importance of wildlife viewing in their lives. In addition, people who do not hunt or fish may be willing to support this dedicated opportunity to be officially counted among the wildlife viewing constituency.

Please maintain the amendment to HB137 that allows a Wildlife Viewing designation to generate dedicated funding for ADFG wildlife diversity educational and conservation programs.

Thank you, Louise Ashmun

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