

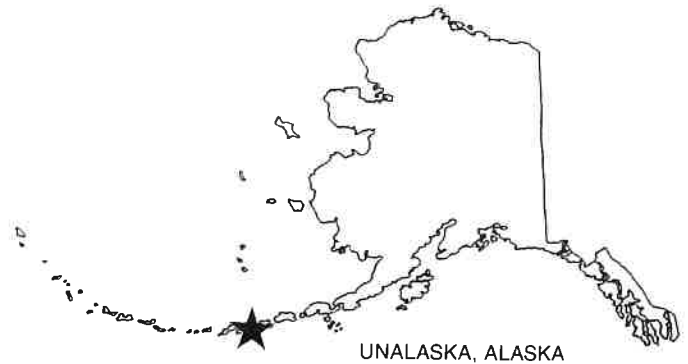
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Representative Louise Stutes  
State Capitol Room 406  
Juneau AK, 99801

Dear Representative Stutes,

The city of Unalaska offers its support for HB 203, relating to transportation of live crab. Removing the current restrictions on the transportation of specific species allows our fishermen to expand their ability to compete in the global market.

As the top fishing port in the nation, getting fresh product to market is imperative and we applaud the efforts made, to date, under this pilot program to safely deliver live crab despite our logistics and recent challenges with air transportation.

As the current law stands, only Opilio Crab and Golden King Crab may be transported via surface shipping and all other species must be sent live via air freight after pre-packaging. This is extremely challenging and has created a hindrance and cost burden for our commercial fishermen and processors.

We strongly support the new language to include all species being shipped live via air freight or surface freight after pre-packaging, provided they have first been lawfully landed in an Alaskan port and recorded on a fish ticket."

Thank you for hearing this bill and we look forward to its passage.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Vince Tutiakoff".

Vince Tutiakoff  
Mayor of Unalaska