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HOUSE BILL 201

RESIDENCY REQ: HUNTING, TRAPPING, FISHING

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“An Act changing the residency requirements for hunting, trapping, and sport fishing privileges; and providing for an effective date.”

REQUIREMENTS TO QUALIFY FOR AN ALASKA RESIDENT HUNTING, TRAPPING OR SPORT FISHING LICENSE COMPARED WITH REQUIREMENTS TO GET A PERMANENT FUND DIVIDEND.

(Updated 1.19.24)

With the passage of HB 201, a sportsmen will need to meet many of the qualifications an individual needs to meet to get their Permanent Fund Dividend, but there are some exceptions. The table below illustrates the different requirements.

Requirement	Resident License (with passage of HB 201)	Permanent Fund Dividend
Physical presence in the state with the intent to remain in the state indefinitely and to make a home in the state.	✓	
Maintenance of a domicile in the state for the 12 consecutive months immediately preceding the application for a license.	✓	
No claim of residency in another state, territory, or country.	✓	✓
Physical presence in the state at all times during the 12 consecutive months preceding the application for a license unless the absence was an allowable absence consistent with the Permanent Fund Dividend allowable absences (AS 43.23.008).	✓	
State resident on the date of application.	✓	✓
State resident during the entire qualifying year.		✓

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General requirements to qualify for an Alaska Resident Hunting, Trapping or Sport Fishing License and a Permanent Fund Dividend continued:

Requirement	Resident License (with passage of HB 201)	Permanent Fund Dividend
Physically present in the state for at least 72 consecutive hours at some time during the prior two years before the current dividend year.		✓
Physically present in the state at all times during the qualifying year or, if absent, the absence was an allowable absence (AS 43.23.008).		✓
In compliance during the qualifying year with the military selective service registration requirements.		✓
During the qualifying year the individual was not sentenced as a result of a conviction in this state of a felony.		✓
During all or part of the qualifying year, the individual was not incarcerated as a result of the conviction in this state of a (A) felony; or (B) misdemeanor if the individual has been convicted of (i) a prior felony as defined in AS 11.81.900; or (ii) two or more prior misdemeanors as defined in AS 11.81.900.		✓
(A) a citizen of the United States; (B) an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States; (C) an alien with refugee status under federal law; or (D) an alien that has been granted asylum under federal law;		✓