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To: Senator Jesse Kiehl

Re: SB 10 – Hunting/Trapping/Fishing Disabled Veterans

Dear Senator Kiehl,

Resident Hunters of Alaska firmly **supports** SB 10, which would include a free trapping license along with the free hunting & fishing license the state currently provides to honorably discharged disabled veterans.

A similar program for Alaskans 60 years of age and older provides a free hunt/fish/trap license. It was likely an oversight that a free trapping license was not originally provided to service-disabled veterans with the free hunting & fishing license.

The Alaska Department of Fish & Game believes the number of applicants for this license will be minimal. We don't believe this will result in a reduction in funding to the Division of Wildlife Conservation, and urge legislators to support this bill.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director Resident Hunters of Alaska