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Relating to management of Alaska's wildlife and fish resources.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS the Constitution of the State of Alaska requires that the replenishable resources of Alaska shall be managed on a sustained yield basis; and

WHEREAS the elected leaders of Alaska have the responsibility to protect the people, land, and resources of Alaska by ensuring that the constitutional mandate for sustained yield management of Alaska's wildlife and fish resources is followed; and

WHEREAS shortages currently exist in numerous wildlife and fish populations in Alaska and are continuing unabated; and

WHEREAS the passive monitoring of declining wildlife and fish populations is no longer acceptable; and

WHEREAS it is in the best interest of all Alaskans that the replenishable resources of Alaska are biologically managed for abundance; and

WHEREAS an abundance of wildlife and fish will benefit all user groups and will greatly reduce competition among Alaskans for wildlife and fish resources; and

WHEREAS the Alaska Board of Fisheries, the Alaska Board of Game, and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game have the responsibility for management of Alaska's wildlife

and fish resources;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature declares its intent to do everything within the scope of its powers, duties, and responsibilities to manage Alaska's wildlife and fish resources on a biological basis for abundance with the exception of predators that the Board of Fisheries or the Board of Game have determined to be a detriment to the resources used for human consumption; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests Governor Tony Knowles, the Alaska Board of Fisheries, the Alaska Board of Game, and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game do everything within the scope of their powers, duties, and responsibilities to manage Alaska's wildlife and fish resources on a biological basis for abundance; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests Governor Tony Knowles, the Alaska Board of Fisheries, the Alaska Board of Game, and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game to use their significant powers and influence to develop and implement regulations, policies, and programs to restore an abundance of wildlife and fish in Alaska using all methods and means available to accomplish this goal as quickly as possible.