

**HOUSE BILL NO. 159**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

**BY REPRESENTATIVE CRAWFORD**

**Introduced: 2/18/05**

**Referred: Resources, Judiciary**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to dangerous reptiles."**

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 \* **Section 1.** AS 16.05.921(b) is amended to read:

4 (b) A permit required under (a) or (c) of this section may be granted only if, in  
5 the determination of the commissioner, the applicant demonstrates a valid educational  
6 purpose for seeking the permit. A valid educational purpose includes display in  
7 educational institutions and in zoos.

8 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 16.05.921 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

9 (c) A person may not breed, sell, barter, or offer to sell or barter a dangerous  
10 nonvenomous reptile, except in accordance with the terms of a permit issued under (b)  
11 of this section. In this subsection, "dangerous nonvenomous reptile" means a reptile,  
12 including hybrids, that is either

13 (1) designated by regulation by the commissioner as dangerous to  
14 human beings due to its inherent nature; or

15 (2) a species of reptile of the

- 1 (A) family Varanidae that is commonly called a water monitor  
2 or crocodile monitor;  
3 (B) family Iguanidae that is commonly called a green iguana or  
4 rock iguana;  
5 (C) family Boidae or Pythonidae that has the potential of  
6 exceeding eight feet in length as an adult; or  
7 (D) order Crocodilia.