

**HOUSE BILL NO. 137**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES

Introduced: 2/14/07

Referred: House Special Committee on Fisheries, Resources, Finance

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act amending the requirements for the identification card needed for sport fishing,  
2 hunting, and trapping without a license by residents who are 60 years of age or more."

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

4 \* **Section 1.** AS 16.05.400(b) is amended to read:

5 (b) A sport fishing, hunting, or trapping license is not required of a resident  
6 who is 60 years of age or more. A resident who is 60 years of age or more is  
7 required to possess a temporary identification card to engage in sport fishing,  
8 hunting, or trapping without a license. The commissioner shall issue a temporary  
9 [PERMANENT] identification card without charge to persons who qualify by age and  
10 residence and who complete the forms required by the commissioner for  
11 implementation of this subsection. The temporary identification card must be  
12 renewed every three years, and the resident must maintain permanent fund  
13 dividend eligibility as described in AS 43.23.005 to retain eligibility for the  
14 temporary identification card. A person who is issued a temporary

1 [PERMANENT] identification card under this subsection shall have it in possession  
2 while sport fishing, hunting, or trapping.

3 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 16.05.405(b) is amended to read:

4 (b) Notwithstanding AS 16.05.420(c), a resident holding a valid resident  
5 hunting license may take game on behalf of a person who is blind, a person with  
6 physical disabilities, or a person who is 65 years of age or older if the resident  
7 possesses on the resident's person

8 (1) a document signed by the person on whose behalf the game is  
9 taken, stating that the resident possesses the person's hunting license or **temporary**  
10 [PERMANENT] identification card in order to take game on behalf of that person; and

11 (2) the person's

12 (A) resident hunting license issued under AS 16.05.403 or  
13 **temporary** [PERMANENT] identification card issued under AS 16.05.400(b);  
14 and

15 (B) harvest ticket, tag, stamp, or other document required by  
16 law as a condition of taking the game being hunted.

17 \* **Sec. 3.** AS 16.05.405(c) is amended to read:

18 (c) Notwithstanding AS 16.05.420(c), a resident holding a valid  
19 noncommercial fishing license may take fish on behalf of a person who is blind, a  
20 person with physical disabilities, or a person who is 65 years of age or older if the  
21 resident possesses on the resident's person

22 (1) a document signed by the person on whose behalf the fish is taken,  
23 stating that the resident possesses the person's sport fishing license, subsistence fishing  
24 permit, personal use fishing permit, or **temporary** [PERMANENT] identification card  
25 in order to take fish on behalf of that person;

26 (2) the person's

27 (A) resident sport fishing license issued under AS 16.05.403 or  
28 **temporary** [PERMANENT] identification card issued under AS 16.05.400(b);

29 (B) resident subsistence fishing permit issued under  
30 AS 16.05.403; or

31 (C) resident personal use fishing permit issued under

- 1 AS 16.05.403; and
- 2 (3) all other documents issued to the person that are required by law as
- 3 a condition of taking the fish being pursued.