CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 137(RES)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/14/07
Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

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

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

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

(b) A sport fishing, hunting, or trapping license is not required of a resident who is 60 years of age or more. **A resident who is 60 years of age or more is required to possess a valid identification card to engage in sport fishing, hunting, or trapping without a license, as follows:**

(1) the [THE] commissioner shall issue a permanent identification card without charge to **a person** [PERSONS] who**, on or before December 31, 2007, qualifies** [QUALIFY] by age and residence and who **completes** [COMPLETE] the forms required by the commissioner for implementation of this **paragraph; a** [SUBSECTION. A] person who is issued a permanent identification card under this **paragraph** [SUBSECTION] shall have it in possession while sport fishing, hunting,

or trapping**;**

(2) the commissioner shall issue a temporary identification card without charge to a person who, on or after January 1, 2008, qualifies by age and residence and who completes the forms required by the commissioner for implementation of this paragraph; to obtain or renew a valid temporary identification card issued under this paragraph, the person must have lawfully received a permanent fund dividend during the most recent dividend disbursal or must present evidence satisfactory to the department that the person was in the state for at least 185 days during the previous calendar year; a person who is issued a temporary identification card under this paragraph shall have it in possession while sport fishing, hunting, or trapping; the temporary identification card must be renewed every three years.

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

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

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

(2) the person's

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

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

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

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

(1) a document signed by the person on whose behalf the fish is taken,

stating that the resident possesses the person's sport fishing license, subsistence fishing permit, personal use fishing permit, or **valid** [PERMANENT] identification card in order to take fish on behalf of that person;

(2) the person's

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

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

(C) resident personal use fishing permit issued under AS 16.05.403; and

(3) all other documents issued to the person that are required by law as a condition of taking the fish being pursued.