

HOUSE BILL NO. 220

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Referred: Resources, Judiciary, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act prohibiting computer-assisted remote hunting."**

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

3 * **Section 1.** AS 16.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:

4 **Sec. 16.05.797. Computer-assisted remote hunting prohibited.** (a) A person
5 may not engage in computer-assisted remote hunting or provide or operate a facility
6 for computer-assisted remote hunting in the state. This subsection applies to any
7 person engaged in computer-assisted remote hunting if the game or any device,
8 equipment, or software used for computer-assisted remote hunting is located in the
9 state.

10 (b) A person who violates (a) of this section is guilty of a class A
11 misdemeanor and is punishable, upon conviction, by a fine of not more than \$500 for
12 each offense. If a violation is continuing in nature, each day the violation continues
13 constitutes a separate offense.

14 (c) This section does not apply to a person with physical disabilities using
15 equipment or devices designed to assist with the disability while engaged in the act of

1 hunting.

2 (d) In this section,

3 (1) "computer-assisted remote hunting" means the use of a computer or
4 any other device, equipment, or software to remotely control the aiming and discharge
5 of a firearm, bow and arrow, or any other weapon used to hunt any game bird, game
6 animal, or fur-bearing animal while not in the physical presence of the animal;

7 (2) "facility" means real property and improvements on the real
8 property associated with computer-assisted remote hunting.