

HOUSE BILL NO. 254

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

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A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act providing for a priority for a fishery that is restricted to residents when fishing**
2 **restrictions are implemented to achieve an escapement goal."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** AS 16.05.251 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (j) Notwithstanding AS 16.05.258, when the harvest of a stock or species is
6 limited to achieve an escapement goal, the Board of Fisheries shall place restrictions
7 on all other fisheries before restricting personal use fisheries. In this subsection,
8 "escapement goal" means the escapement, or annual estimated size, of the target stock
9 that provides the greatest potential for maximum sustained yield as established by the
10 board.