

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 348
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the adoption of regulations by the Board of Game."**

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

3 *** Section 1.** AS 16.05.255(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) The Board of Game may adopt regulations it considers advisable in
5 accordance with AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act) for

6 (1) setting apart game reserve areas, refuges, and sanctuaries in the
7 water or on the land of the state over which it has jurisdiction, subject to the approval
8 of the legislature;

9 (2) establishing open and closed seasons and areas for the taking of
10 game **as a means to allocate the asset of game;**

11 (3) establishing the means and methods employed in the pursuit,
12 capture, taking, and transport of game **as a means to allocate the asset of game,**
13 including regulations, consistent with resource conservation and development goals,
14 establishing means and methods that may be employed by persons with physical
15 disabilities;

1 (4) setting quotas, bag limits, harvest levels, and sex, age, and size
2 limitations on the taking of game **as a means to allocate the asset of game**;

3 (5) classifying game as game birds, song birds, big game animals, fur
4 bearing animals, predators, or other categories;

5 (6) methods, means, and harvest levels necessary to control predation
6 and competition among game **assets** in the state;

7 (7) watershed and habitat improvement, and management,
8 conservation, protection, use, disposal, propagation, and stocking of game;

9 (8) prohibiting the live capture, possession, transport, or release of
10 native or exotic game or their eggs;

11 (9) establishing the times and dates during which the issuance of game
12 licenses, permits, and registrations and the transfer of permits and registrations
13 between registration areas and game management units or subunits is allowed;

14 (10) regulating sport hunting and subsistence hunting as needed for the
15 conservation, development, and **preferential use** [UTILIZATION] of game;

16 (11) taking game to ensure public safety;

17 (12) regulating the activities of persons licensed to control nuisance
18 wild birds and nuisance wild small mammals;

19 (13) promoting hunting and trapping and preserving the heritage of
20 hunting and trapping in the state.