

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 143(FIN)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/27/14

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES SEATON, Kreiss-Tomkins, Peggy Wilson, Kerttula

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to crewmember fishing licenses; and providing for an effective date."**

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

3 *** Section 1.** AS 16.05.480(g) is amended to read:

4 (g) A resident engaged in commercial fishing who is 11 years of age or older
5 and who does not hold an entry permit or an interim-use permit shall, **except as**
6 **provided in (i) of this section,** pay a fee of \$60 for an annual crewmember fishing
7 license. A resident engaged in commercial fishing who is less than 11 years of age and
8 who does not hold an entry permit or an interim-use permit shall pay an annual fee of
9 \$5.

10 *** Sec. 2.** AS 16.05.480(h) is amended to read:

11 (h) A nonresident engaged in commercial fishing who is 11 years of age or
12 older and who does not hold an entry permit or an interim-use permit shall, **except as**
13 **provided in (i) of this section,** pay a base fee of \$60 for an annual crewmember
14 fishing license, plus an amount, established by the department by regulation, that is as
15 close as is practicable to the maximum allowed by law. A nonresident engaged in

1 commercial fishing who is less than 11 years of age and who does not hold an entry
2 permit or an interim-use permit shall pay an annual base fee of \$5 plus an amount,
3 established by the department by regulation, that is as close as is practicable to the
4 maximum allowed by law.

5 * **Sec. 3.** AS 16.05.480(i) is amended to read:

6 (i) Notwithstanding (g) and (h) of this section, a resident or nonresident
7 engaged in commercial fishing who does not hold an entry permit or an interim-use
8 permit may obtain **one** [A] seven-day crewmember fishing license under this
9 subsection **annually. A person who obtains a seven-day license is not eligible for**
10 **another seven-day license in the same license year; however, if a person who**
11 **obtains a seven-day license pays the full fee for an annual crewmember fishing**
12 **license under (g) or (h) of this section during the same license year, the person is**
13 **entitled to receive a refund of the fee for the seven-day license. The department**
14 **shall adopt regulations establishing a refund procedure.** During the period for
15 which the **seven-day** license is valid, a person who holds a seven-day
16 [CREWMEMBER FISHING] license may not engage in fishing with a rod and reel
17 while present on a commercial fishing vessel. The fee for a seven-day
18 [CREWMEMBER FISHING] license is \$30.

19 * **Sec. 4.** This Act takes effect January 1, 2015.