

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE COMMITTEE ON RESOURCES

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 179

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to hair seal bounties;
7 amending Sec. 33-3-132, ACLA 1949 as amended
8 by Ch. 16, SLA 1949 and Ch. 122, SLA 1951;
9 amending Secs. 33-3-133 and 33-3-134, ACLA
10 1949; and providing for an effective date."

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

12 Section 1. Sec. 33-3-132, ACLA 1949 as amended by Ch. 16,
13 SLA 1949 and Ch. 122, SLA 1951 is hereby amended to read as
14 follows:

15 Sec. 33-3-132. CLAIM OF BOUNTY: OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE
16 OF IDENTIFICATION /ACCOMPANYING EXHIBITS: CERTIFICATE OF
17 CLAIMANT/. To obtain said bounty, any person killing a hair
18 seal within the limits herein prescribed, in the State of
19 Alaska, after the passage of this Act (Secs. 33-3-131 -
20 33-3-134 herein), shall, as soon as possible exhibit, to two
21 witnesses who are bona fide residents of the State of Alaska
22 and an agent of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game or
23 other State or Federal officer designated by said department
24 /ANY UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER, UNITED STATES POSTMASTER,
25 UNITED STATES ASSISTANT POSTMASTER OR NOTARY PUBLIC WITHIN
26 THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA/, so much of the skin (or scalp),
27 taken from the head of said hair seal, intact, as to show
28 the whole face, including both eyeholes and both ears. Said
29 person shall then subscribe to the following affidavit which

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shall be signed by the witnesses and agent to whom the skin or scalp was exhibited in accordance with the provisions of this section:

I,, of,
hereby do certify that from the day of
19 . . . to the day of, 19, I killed
. . . . hair seals and have exhibited their complete scalps
to the undersigned, that said hair seals were killed in the
vicinity of, Alaska, that no poison or other
means was employed that might cause the wanton destruction
of other wildlife, that I am justly entitled to the bounty
of three (\$3.00) dollars for each complete hair seal scalp
exhibited. Total number . . . Total amount due . . .

(Signed)
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I hereby certify that I have personally examined and
destroyed, in the presence of the above two witnesses who
have stated to me that they are bona fide residents of the
State of Alaska, in accordance with the provisions of Sec.
33-3-133, ACLA 1949, the above described complete hair seal
scalps and believe them to have been taken legally in the
State of Alaska.

(Signature of Agent)

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(Title of Agent)

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AND SHALL SUBSCRIBE TO A CERTIFICATE IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE FOLLOWING FORM:

I, OF, ALASKA, HEREBY CERTIFY THAT ON THE DAY OF, 19., I KILLED HAIR SEALS AND TOOK FROM THEIR HEADS THE SCALPS HEREWITH EXHIBITED, IN THE VICINITY OF, TERRITORY OF ALASKA; THAT NO POISON OR OTHER MEANS WAS EMPLOYED THAT MIGHT CAUSE THE WANTON DESTRUCTION OF OTHER ANIMALS OR BIRDS; THAT I AM JUSTLY ENTITLED TO THE BOUNTY OF THREE DOLLARS (\$3.00) FOR EACH HAIR SEAL SCALP EXHIBITED, UNDER THE LAWS OF ALASKA. TOTAL NUMBER TOTAL AMOUNT \$

(SIGNED)

WITNESS:

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I, A (UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER) (UNITED STATES POSTMASTER) (UNITED STATES ASSISTANT POSTMASTER) (NOTARY PUBLIC) IN THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA, RESIDING AT, ALASKA, CERTIFY THAT ON THIS DAY OF, 19., AT, ALASKA,, WHO SIGNED THE FOREGOING STATEMENT IN MY PRESENCE AND EXHIBITED THE SCALPS, HEREIN DESCRIBED, TO ME, AND TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF THE SAID IS JUSTLY ENTITLED TO THE BOUNTY OF THREE DOLLARS (\$3.00) FOR EACH SCALP, AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

. UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER
UNITED STATES POSTMASTER

1 UNITED STATES ASSISTANT POSTMASTER
2 NOTARY PUBLIC

3 The foregoing bounty shall be payable only to the person
4 actually taking such hair seal or seals and subscribing to
5 the foregoing certificate S. No intermediary or other
6 person, partnership, or corporation, other than the person
7 actually taking such hair seal, shall be entitled to any pay-
8 ment of bounty hereunder.

9 Sec. 2. Sec. 33-3-133, ACLA 1949 is hereby amended to read
10 as follows:

11 Sec. 33-3-133. CERTIFICATE AND EXHIBITS TO BE MAILED
12 TO PROCESSING DEPARTMENT TREASURER: PAYMENT OF BOUNTY:
13 DESTRUCTION OF EXHIBITS. In the presence of the witnesses
14 and agent listed in Sec. 33-3-132 the required certificate
15 shall be completed and signed after a count of the scalps and
16 said certificate mailed to the Alaska Department of Fish and
17 Game, or whichever state department is responsible for the
18 processing and payment of bounty claims. Following such
19 count and certification, the hair seal scalps so certified to
20 shall be destroyed by being cut in half in the presence of
21 the witnesses and agent. Upon receipt of correctly signed
22 certificate said department shall forward the amount due to
23 the person killing the hair seal. UNITED STATES COMMISSIONER,
24 UNITED STATES POSTMASTER, UNITED STATES ASSISTANT POSTMASTER
25 OR NOTARY PUBLIC, AND AFTER OBTAINING THE UNITED STATES
26 COMMISSIONER'S, UNITED STATES POSTMASTER'S, UNITED STATES
27 ASSISTANT POSTMASTER'S OR NOTARY PUBLIC'S SIGNATURE TO THE
28 ABOVE CERTIFICATE, THE PERSON MAKING THE ABOVE CERTIFICATE
29 SHALL ENCLOSE THE SAME IN AN ENVELOPE WHICH HE SHALL ATTACH

1 TO A MAILABLE PACKAGE CONTAINING THE SCALPS EXHIBITED, AND
2 MAIL THE SAME TO THE TREASURER OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA,
3 AT JUNEAU, ALASKA. UPON RECEIPT OF SUCH CERTIFICATE DULY
4 SIGNED AND ACCOMPANIED BY THE SCALPS OF THE HAIR SEAL SO
5 KILLED, THE TREASURER OF ALASKA SHALL FORWARD THE AMOUNT DUE
6 TO THE PERSON SO KILLING HAIR SEAL, AND SHALL THEN DESTROY
7 THE SCALPS SO EXHIBITED.]

8 Sec. 3. Sec. 33-3-134, ACLA 1949 is hereby amended to read
9 as follows:

10 Sec. 33-3-134. CRIMINAL LIABILITY FOR FALSE CERTIFICATE.

11 Any person making a false certificate for the purpose of
12 fraudulently obtaining any money from the State [TREASURER
13 OF THE TERRITORY] of Alaska under the provisions of this Act
14 shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction
15 thereof shall be punished by a fine of not more than one
16 hundred dollars (\$100.00) for the first offense and not more
17 than two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) for a second or
18 other offense, or be imprisoned for a period of not more than
19 six months for the first offense, and a period of not more
20 than one year for a second or other offense, or both such fine
21 and imprisonment, in the discretion of the Court.

22 Sec. 4. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its
23 passage and approval or upon its becoming law without such approval.
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