

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY POWELL

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 26

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act to establish requirements for processing of
7 certain fish and shellfish taken in Alaska; and pro-
8 viding for an effective date."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 16.10 is amended by adding a new section to read:

11 Sec. 16.10.250. PRIMARY PROCESSING. (a) No person may take out
12 of or send from the state any King crab, species *Paralithodes*
13 *Camtschatica*, or shrimp, *Pandalus*, unless it has undergone primary
14 processing in the state or its territorial waters.

15 (b) A person, association or corporation who violates this section
16 or contributes to or cooperates in the violation of this section is
17 guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction is punishable by a fine of
18 not more than \$5,000, or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or
19 by both. Each unlawful removal of fish is a separate offense. Vessels
20 and equipment used in or in aid of a violation of this section may be
21 seized and disposed of as provided in AS 16.05.190. Conviction under
22 this section is grounds for suspension of any fishing license or permits
23 by the Department of Fish and Game.

24 (c) In this section, primary processing means evisceration and
25 deheading. Primary processing does not include the holding or keeping
26 of fish by means of freezing, refrigerating, holding in chilled water or
27 brine, treating by chemical means to obtain low temperatures, or any
28 combination of them.

29 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval

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1 or on the day it becomes law without approval.

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