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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 8

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the powers of the Board of Fish

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and Game; and providing for an effective date."

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

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\* Section 1. The legislature finds that continuing proliferation of

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fishing gear, especially during years of poor salmon runs, creates a severe

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welfare problem in that those persons who have been primarily dependent upon

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fishing for an income are unable to make even a basic livelihood thus obli-

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gating the state to supplement many family incomes with welfare payments.

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\* Sec. 2. The legislature further finds that excessive amounts of gear

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in certain areas pose severe management and conservation problems in that

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even slight miscalculations as to proper openings or closures can virtually

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wipe out major segments of a given run.

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\* Sec. 3. This Act is in exercise of the police powers of the state for

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conservation of fishing resources and for the protection of the welfare and

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economic good of the commercial salmon fishing industry and the people of

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the state.

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\* Sec. 4. AS 16.05.250 is amended by adding new paragraphs to read:

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(11) classifying the various and distinctly separate his-

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torical salmon fishing areas and requiring commercial salmon gear of

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any description to be registered and used in one such area and only in

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one such area, or a designated part of the area, during any season;

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(12) limiting or increasing the amount of gill net which

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may be allotted to each individual fisherman, gear registrant, fishing

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vessel, site or area in a salmon gear registration area, consistent

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with conservation of the salmon resource and the protection of the welfare of the people of the state.

\* Sec. 5. AS 16.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:

Sec. 16.05.255. DELEGATION OF GEAR REGULATION. The board may delegate its power under sec. 250(12) of this chapter to the commissioner. The commissioner may, when circumstances require, exercise such power by means of emergency orders. An emergency order has the force and effect of law after field announcement by the commissioner or his authorized designee. An emergency order adopted under this section is not subject to the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62).

\* Sec. 6. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without approval.