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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 365

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act amending the Pacific Marine Fisheries Compact;
7 and providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 16.45.020, Article I, is amended to read:

10 The purposes of this compact are to promote the better use of
11 fisheries, marine, shell, and anadromous, which are of mutual concern,
12 and to develop a joint program of protection and prevention of physical
13 waste of the fisheries in all of those areas of the Pacific Ocean and
14 adjacent waters over which the compacting states [OF CALIFORNIA, OREGON
15 AND WASHINGTON] jointly or separately have or acquire jurisdiction.

16 Nothing in this compact may be construed to authorize the compact-
17 ing [ONE OR MORE OF THESE] states to limit the production of fish or
18 fish products, to establish or fix the prices of the fish or fish
19 products or create and perpetuate a monopoly.

20 * Sec. 2. AS 16.45.020, Article IV, is amended to read:

21 The duty of the said commission is to make inquiry and ascertain
22 from time to time the methods, practices, circumstances, and conditions
23 which are disclosed for bringing about the conservation and the preven-
24 tion of the depletion and physical waste of the fisheries, marine,
25 shell, and anadromous, in all of those areas of the Pacific Ocean
26 and adjacent waters over which the compacting states [OF CALIFORNIA,
27 OREGON AND WASHINGTON] jointly or separately have or acquire jurisdic-
28 tion. The commission may recommend the coordination of the exercise
29 of the police powers of the several states within their respective

1 jurisdictions and the conservation zones to promote the preservation
2 of those fisheries and their protection against overfishing, waste,
3 depletion, or any abuse whatsoever and to assure a continuing yield
4 from the fisheries resources of the signatory parties to this compact.

5 To that end the commission shall draft and, after consultation
6 with the advisory committee authorized by art. VII of this compact,
7 recommend to the governors and legislative branches of the signatory
8 states to this compact legislation dealing with the conservation of the
9 marine, shell, and anadromous fisheries in all of those areas of the
10 Pacific Ocean over which the states of California, Oregon, and Washing-
11 ton jointly or separately have or acquire jurisdiction. The commission
12 shall, more than one month before a regular meeting of the legislative
13 branch in a signatory state, present to the governor of the state its
14 recommendations relating to enactments by the legislative branch of
15 that state in furthering the purposes of this compact.

16 The commission shall consult with and advise the pertinent ad-
17 ministrative agencies in the signatory states with regard to problems
18 connected with the fisheries and recommend the adoption of the regula-
19 tions it considers advisable and which lie within the jurisdiction of
20 the agencies.

21 The commission may recommend to the signatory states the stocking
22 of the waters of such states with marine, shell, or anadromous fish and
23 fish eggs or joint stocking by some or all of the states, and, when
24 two or more of the states jointly stock waters, the commission shall
25 act as the coordinating agency for the stocking.

26 • Sec. 3. AS 16.45.020, Article X, is amended to read:

27 The states agree to make available annual funds for the support
28 of the commission on the following basis:

29 Eighty percent (80%) of the annual budget shall be shared equally

1 by those member States having as a boundary the Pacific Ocean; not less
2 than five percent (5%) of the annual budget shall be contributed by any
3 other member State; the balance of the annual budget shall be shared
4 by those member States; having as a boundary the Pacific Ocean, in
5 proportion to the primary market value of the products of their commer-
6 cial fisheries on the basis of the latest five-year catch records.

7 The annual contribution of each member State shall be figured to
8 the nearest one hundred dollars.

9 This amended article shall become effective upon its enactment by
10 the States of Alaska, California, Idaho, Oregon and Washington and upon
11 ratification by Congress by virtue of the authority vested in it under
12 Article I, section 10, of the Constitution of the United States.

13 [IN PROPORTION TO THE PRIMARY MARKET VALUE OF THE PRODUCTS OF THEIR
14 FISHERIES AS RECORDED IN THE LATEST PUBLISHED REPORTS (FIVE-YEAR
15 AVERAGE). NO STATE MAY CONTRIBUTE LESS THAN \$2,000 A YEAR. THE ANNUAL
16 CONTRIBUTION OF EACH STATE ABOVE THE MINIMUM SHALL BE FIGURED TO THE
17 NEAREST \$100.

18 THE COMPACTING STATES AGREE TO MAKE AVAILABLE INITIALLY THE ANNUAL
19 AMOUNTS SCHEDULED BELOW, WHICH AMOUNTS ARE CALCULATED IN THE MANNER
20 SET OUT IN THIS COMPACT ON THE BASIS OF THE LATEST FIVE-YEAR CATCH
21 RECORDS. SUBSEQUENT BUDGETS SHALL BE RECOMMENDED BY A MAJORITY OF THE
22 COMMISSION AND THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE BUDGETS ALLOCATED EQUITABLY
23 AMONG THE STATES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FORMULA

24 SCHEDULE OF INITIAL ANNUAL STATE CONTRIBUTIONS

25 CALIFORNIA	\$11,000
26 OREGON	2,000
27 WASHINGTON	<u>2,000</u>
28 TOTAL	\$15,000]

29 * Sec. 4. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval

1 or on the day it becomes law without approval.

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