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IN THE SENATE BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST

CS SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 3

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

Relating to emergency regulations pertaining to bear hunting.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

WHEREAS it has been brought to the attention of the Senate that many persons who have been a resident of Alaska for only brief periods of time are hunting brown and grizzly bear; and

WHEREAS information reveals that oftentimes these inexperienced hunters wound bears and fail or neglect to track their wounded animal; and

WHEREAS not only does such an omission create extreme hazards to others but is a cruel practice and contributes to the diminishing bear population; and

WHEREAS the safety of hunters and the wise harvest of the bear population requires immediate action through the enactment of more stringent regulations regarding the hunting of bear by residents;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Senate that the Board of Fish and Game is respectfully requested to immediately promulgate emergency regulations pertaining to the hunting of bears by residents; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that said regulations provide that before a person can obtain a permit to hunt brown or grizzly bear (1) he must have been a resident of the state for at least three years before the time of obtaining a permit; (2) the area for which the permit is issued should be designated in the permit; (3) the person must agree in writing to pursue an animal he wounds but does not kill; and (4) the permit should contain the name of the permittee's backup man and how long he has resided in the state.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to all members of the Board

of Fish and Game.