

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 634

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the use of biodegradable shellfish  
7 pots; and providing for an effective date."

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

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

10 Sec. 16.10.125. USE OF BIODEGRADABLE SHELLFISH AND BOTTOM FISH  
11 POT REQUIRED. It is unlawful for a person to use, employ or operate  
12 after August 1, 1976 a shellfish or bottom fish pot which does not have  
13 a biodegradable seam or panel on the vertical wall of the pot. In this  
14 section biodegradable seam or panel means a seam or panel which when  
15 continuously immersed in sea water has a life of six months or less.

16 \* Sec. 2. AS 16.10.130 is amended to read:

17 Sec. 16.10.130. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF secs. 120 - 125 [SEC.  
18 120] of this chapter. A person who violates secs. 120 - 125 [SEC. 120]  
19 of this chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction is  
20 punishable by imprisonment for not more than six months, or by a fine  
21 of not more than \$1,000 or by both.

22 \* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect August 1, 1976.  
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