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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act creating the fisheries business tax grant fund;
7 providing for grants to certain nonprofit corporations;
8 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. AS 16.10 is amended by adding new sections to read:

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ARTICLE 10. FISHERIES BUSINESS GRANTS.

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Sec. 16.10.650. FISHERIES BUSINESS TAX GRANT FUND. There is
created in the Department of Revenue the fisheries business tax grant
14 fund. The fisheries business tax grant fund may be financed only by
15 appropriations from the legislature. The commissioner of revenue shall
16 administer the fisheries business tax grant fund.

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Sec. 16.10.660. GRANTS. (a) The commissioner of revenue may use
the money in the fisheries business tax grant fund to make grants to
nonprofit corporations described in (b) of this section. A nonprofit
corporation described in (b) of this section may receive more than one
grant under this section. However, the total amount of grants made
under this section in a year to a nonprofit corporation may not exceed
15 percent of the tax paid during the preceding year under AS 43.75.015
or 43.75.100 by the members of the nonprofit corporation.

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(b) A nonprofit corporation is eligible for a grant under this
section if it is organized under AS 10.20 and if it

(1) is organized for the purposes of

(A) assisting the Alaska seafood industry to improve the
quality and purity of seafood produced in Alaska; and

1 (B) assisting in the development and maintenance of
2 markets for seafood produced in Alaska;

3 (2) represents commercial fishermen and fish processors in
4 each of the administrative areas established by the Alaska Commercial
5 Fisheries Entry Commission under AS 16.43.100(a)(3);

6 (3) provides services for fishermen and processors of all
7 species of fish and their by-products which are harvested in Alaska and
8 processed for human consumption;

9 (4) includes on its board of directors representatives of
10 commercial fishermen and of fish processors;

11 (5) establishes quality control programs for the seafood
12 harvested and processed in Alaska by the members of the corporation;

13 (6) prepares an annual market research and product develop-
14 ment plan for the promotion of all species of fish and their by-products
15 which are harvested in Alaska and processed for human consumption;

16 (7) submits an annual report to the governor and the legisla-
17 ture describing its activities;

18 (8) permits the commissioner of revenue or his designee and
19 the legislative audit division to inspect its offices and its accounts
20 to determine whether it meets the criteria described in this subsection;

21 (9) has its main offices in the state and provides that the
22 annual meeting of the membership and all meetings of the full board of
23 directors shall be held in the state;

24 (10) is not organized for the purpose of promoting and does
25 not promote species of seafood products by geographic origin other than
26 from Alaska; and

27 (11) includes in its board of directors three nonvoting mem-
28 bers, one appointed by the governor, one appointed by the president of
29 the senate, and one appointed by the speaker of the house of repre-

1 sentatives.

2 (c) A corporation that has as its main purpose the promotion of or
3 the development and maintenance of markets for a specific brand of
4 Alaska seafood is not eligible for a grant under this section.

5 Sec. 16.10.670. ANNUAL REPORT. The commissioner of revenue shall
6 prepare and submit to the legislature by January 30 of each year a
7 report which includes

8 (1) a statement of the amount of the tax collected under
9 AS 43.75.015 and 43.75.100; and

10 (2) a statement of the amount of grants made under AS 16.10.-
11 660 during the preceding year.

12 * Sec. 2. AS 44.25.020 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

13 (5) administer the fisheries business tax grant fund estab-
14 lished under AS 16.10.650 - 16.10.670.

15 * Sec. 3. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-
16 070(c).