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Offered: 2/20/79
Referred: Rules

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 51

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the confidential nature of certain
7 reports required by the Department of Fish and Game."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 16.05.815 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

10 Sec. 16.05.815. CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF CERTAIN RECORDS. Reports
11 required by regulations of the department concerning the landing of
12 fish, shellfish, or fishery products, and annual statistical reports of
13 buyers and processors required by regulations of the department, insofar
14 as they are in the form of individual records, are confidential. A
15 report may be released to the individual operator whose fishing activity
16 is the subject of the report and to the National Marine Fisheries
17 Service as required for preparation and implementation of North Pacific
18 Fisheries Management Council fishery management plans, and to the
19 Department of Revenue and the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission to
20 assist them in carrying out their statutory responsibilities. Reports
21 which do not identify individual fishermen, buyers, or processors may
22 also be released to the University of Alaska and to the Department of
23 Commerce and Economic Development in conjunction with research and
24 statistics projects. However, the commissioner may not release a report
25 if he determines that to do so would abuse the intent of this section,
26 and he may limit or condition any release to insure that confidentiality
27 is maintained. Confidential reports held by the department, or received
28 from the department by the agencies and organizations mentioned in this
29 section, may not be communicated or distributed in the form of indi-

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