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SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 351

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing a waterfowl conservation stamp

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and fee; 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 16.05.110 is amended to read:

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Sec. 16.05.110. COMPOSITION OF FUND. The fish and game fund

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shall be made up of the following money and other money the legisla-

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ture appropriates, which shall be deposited and retained in the fund

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until expended:

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(1) money received from the sale of state sport fishing,

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hunting, and trapping licenses, [AND] special permits, and waterfowl

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conservation stamps;

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(2) proceeds received from the sale of furs, skins, and

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specimens taken by predator hunters and other employees;

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(3) money received in settlement of a claim or loss caused

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by damage to the fish and game resources of the state;

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(4) money received from federal, state, or other govern-

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mental unit, or from a private donor for fish and game purposes;

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(5) interest earned upon money in the fund;

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(6) money from any other source.

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\* Sec. 2. AS 16.05.130 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

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(b) Funds accruing to the state from waterfowl conservation

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stamp fees may not be diverted to a purpose other than (1) the conser-

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vation and enhancement of waterfowl; (2) the acquisition, by lease or

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otherwise of wetlands that are important for waterfowl and public use

1 of waterfowl in the state; (3) waterfowl related projects approved by  
2 the commissioner; and (4) the administration of the stamp program.  
3 The department shall maintain a state waterfowl conservation stamp  
4 account within the fish and game fund to permit separate accounting  
5 records for the receipt and expenditure of funds derived from the sale  
6 of waterfowl conservation stamps. The department shall report an-  
7 nually to the public on the use of funds derived from waterfowl con-  
8 servation stamps.

9 \* Sec. 3. AS 16.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 16.05.826. WATERFOWL CONSERVATION STAMP CONTEST. (a) The  
11 department shall conduct an annual waterfowl conservation stamp design  
12 contest for resident Alaska artists. A contest entrant may submit  
13 more than one entry. In this subsection, "resident" has the meaning  
14 given in AS 01.10.055.

15 (b) The department shall establish a cash prize of \$1,000 for  
16 the best entry in each design contest. The commissioner shall desig-  
17 nate a judging panel from the public each year to judge the entries  
18 made under this section. The waterfowl conservation stamp contest  
19 shall be advertised in newspapers of general circulation within the  
20 state. The winning design in each contest shall be published in a  
21 department publication.

22 \* Sec. 4. AS 16.05 is amended by adding new sections to read:

23 Sec. 16.05.828. WATERFOWL CONSERVATION STAMP AND FEE. (a)  
24 Using the waterfowl conservation stamp design selected each year under  
25 AS 16.05.826, the department shall publish

26 (1) 500 serial numbered waterfowl conservation stamps each  
27 year for sale to the public for \$100 per stamp; and

28 (2) unnumbered waterfowl conservation stamps each year for  
29 sale to licensed waterfowl hunters for \$5 a stamp.

1           (b) A person may not engage in waterfowl hunting without having  
2 the current year's unnumbered waterfowl conservation stamp in the  
3 person's actual possession.

4           Sec. 16.05.829. REGULATIONS. The commissioner may propose  
5 regulations for adoption by the board of game to implement AS 16.05.-  
6 826 and 16.05.828.

7       \* Sec. 5. Section 16.05.826(b) enacted in sec. 4 of this Act takes  
8 effect July 1, 1985.