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HOUSE BILL NO. 227

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to fish processors and primary fish
7 buyers."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 16.10 is amended by adding new sections to read:

10 Sec. 16.10.285. NOTICE OF BONDED AND LICENSED OPERATORS. The
11 Department of Fish and Game shall maintain a list of fish processors
12 and primary fish buyers who have furnished to the department a written
13 statement of intent to operate. The list shall specify whether the
14 processor or buyer has complied with the security bond requirements of
15 AS 16.10.290 - 16.10.296 and has been issued a valid Alaska Business
16 License or Fisheries Business License by the Department of Revenue.
17 The list shall note the processor's or buyer's standing, if any, with
18 the Alaska Better Business Bureau and membership in a chamber of
19 commerce in the state. The Department of Fish and Game shall, at the
20 beginning of each commercial fishing season,

21 (1) publish the list in a newspaper of general circulation
22 that serves each area of the state in which the fish processors and
23 primary fish buyers have stated an intent to operate; and

24 (2) distribute copies of the list to the offices of local
25 governments and village councils and to fishermen's associations in
26 the areas of the state in which the fish processors and primary fish
27 buyers have stated an intent to operate.

28 Sec. 16.10.286. INSPECTION OF LICENSES. Enforcement officers of
29 the division of fish and wildlife protection shall regularly inspect

1 fish processors and primary fish buyers for possession of proper
2 licenses.

3 * Sec. 2. AS 16.10.290(b) is amended to read:

4 (b) The amount of the bond shall be \$100,000 [\$10,000]. In lieu
5 of the surety bond the fish processor or primary fish buyer may file
6 with the commissioner a cash deposit or other negotiable security
7 acceptable to the commissioner in the amount specified for the bond.
8 If no claim is asserted under this section within two years from the
9 date the bond, cash deposit or other security is filed, the term of
10 the bond, cash deposit or other security shall be two years; if a
11 claim has been asserted within two years, the term of the bond, cash
12 deposit or other security shall be for five years.

13 * Sec. 3. AS 16.10.290(c) is amended to read:

14 (c) A person applying for a license as a fish processor or
15 primary fish buyer who has less than \$100,000 [\$10,000] in lienable
16 property in the state, with proof of the property satisfactorily made
17 to the commissioner, shall file with the application a bond or other
18 security as specified in this section. A [NO] bond is not required if
19 the fish processor or primary fish buyer has more than \$100,000
20 [\$10,000] in lienable property as specified in this subsection. An
21 appraiser from the area of the state in which the lienable property is
22 located may be used to determine the value of the property for
23 purposes of this subsection.