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1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE  
2 SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 407 (Resources)  
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION  
5 A BILL  
6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the use of, and certain reports  
7 and records concerning, game animals."  
8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:  
9 \* Section 1. AS 16.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:  
10 Sec. 16.05.783. USE OF GAME AS BAIT FOR TRAPPING. (a) A person  
11 may not use as bait for trapping the  
12 (1) parts of a dead big game animal, except the  
13 (A) meat allowed by (2) of this subsection;  
14 (B) skin, viscera, bones, head, legs below the distal  
15 joint of the tibia-fibula (stifle joint), tallow, fat, and hide,  
16 except the hide of a bear; and  
17 (C) skinned carcass of bear;  
18 (2) meat of a game animal unless the  
19 (A) use is allowed under (1)(C) of this subsection; or  
20 (B) animal has been killed by a motor vehicle, and the  
21 Department of Public Safety, at its discretion,  
22 (i) determines that the meat is unfit for human  
23 consumption; and  
24 (ii) gives the person written permission.  
25 (b) A person may set traps in the immediate proximity of a big  
26 game animal that is found dead from natural causes if the person does  
27 not disturb the animal and notifies the Department of Public Safety at  
28 the earliest opportunity of the use and the approximate location where  
29 the dead animal was found.

1           (c) In this section, "dead from natural causes" includes death  
2 caused by an animal other than a human being.

3 \* Sec. 2. AS 16.05.815 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

4           (c) Identifying information in a trapping or hunting document is  
5 confidential and may be released by the department only

6                 (1) to the Department of Revenue to assist that department  
7 in carrying out its statutory responsibilities;

8                 (2) as necessary to comply with a court order; and

9                 (3) to the division of fish and wildlife protection of the  
10 Department of Public Safety to assist that department in carrying out  
11 its statutory responsibilities.

12           (d) Except to the extent necessary to prosecute a criminal  
13 action based on a trapping or hunting document, a department that  
14 receives a trapping or hunting document from the department under (c)  
15 of this section shall also maintain the confidentiality of the identi-  
16 fying information in the document.

17           (e) Before releasing to the public a trapping or hunting docu-  
18 ment received by the department, the department shall remove identify-  
19 ing information from the document.

20           (f) In (c) - (e) of this section, "identifying information"  
21 means names, addresses, or other information that identifies individu-  
22 al trappers or hunters.

23           (g) In this section,

24                 (1) "sealing" means the placement of a seal by the depart-  
25 ment on a portion of the carcass of a game animal taken by trapping or  
26 hunting;

27                 (2) "trapping or hunting document" means a report or record  
28 that is required by regulations of the department concerning the  
29 taking, sealing, acquisition of the untanned skin, or exportation from

1       the state of the fur, of a game animal taken by trapping or hunting.

2       \* Sec. 3. AS 16.05.900(a) is amended to read:

3               (a) A person who violates AS 16.05.783 or [AS] 16.05.870 -  
4       16.05.895 is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.