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1 IN THE SENATE BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 191 (Finance)
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION
5 A BILL
6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the Guide Board and big game
7 guiding, transporting, outfitting, and hunting and
8 establishing an interim task force on guiding and the
9 commercial taking of big game; and providing for an
10 effective date."
11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:
12 * Section 1. AS 08.03.010(c)(20) is amended to read:
13 (20) Guide Board (AS 08.54.010) -- June 30, 1989 [1988].
14 * Sec. 2. AS 16.05.407(d) is amended to read:
15 (d) A nonresident who violates (a) of this section, or who fails
16 to furnish an affidavit under (b) or (e) of this section, is guilty of
17 a misdemeanor and upon conviction is punishable by imprisonment for
18 not more than one year, or by a fine of not more than \$5,000, or by
19 both.
20 * Sec. 3. AS 16.05.407 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:
21 (e) An applicant for a nonresident big game tag for the taking
22 of moose or caribou shall first furnish to the state, on a form pro-
23 vided by the state, an affidavit showing where the applicant will
24 be hunting and what guiding, transportation, or other big game hunting
25 services the applicant will be employing. A person who falsifies an
26 affidavit under this subsection is guilty of perjury under
27 AS 11.56.200.
28 * Sec. 4. AS 16.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:
29 Sec. 16.05.786. DUTY OF BIG GAME TRANSPORTERS TO REPORT

1 VIOLATIONS. (a) A person who transports a big game hunter to or from
2 the field for compensation, or with the intent or an agreement to
3 receive compensation, shall promptly report to the Department of
4 Public Safety, division of fish and wildlife protection, and in no
5 event later than 30 days, a violation of a state fish, game, or guid-
6 ing statute or regulation that the person reasonably believes was
7 committed by a client or employee of the person.

8 (b) A person who violates this section is guilty of a misde-
9 meanor and upon conviction is punishable by a fine of not more than
10 \$2,000 or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by both.

11 * Sec. 5. TASK FORCE ON GUIDING AND GAME. (a) The interim task force
12 on the Guide Board and the commercial taking of big game is established
13 under the jurisdiction of the legislative council. The task force consists
14 of the commissioners of fish and game, commerce and economic development,
15 and public safety, or their designees; two members of the senate appointed
16 by the president of the senate, who have no financial interest in any
17 business involving or related to the commercial taking of game; two members
18 of the house of representatives appointed by the speaker of the house, who
19 have no financial interest in any business involving or related to the
20 commercial taking of game; and six members appointed by the governor as
21 follows: one member of the Guide Board; one big game guide licensed under
22 AS 08.54 who is not a member of the Guide Board; and one person engaged in
23 a business, other than guiding, that includes transporting big game hunters
24 to and from the field; and three public members, at least one of whom has
25 no financial interest in any business involving or related to the commer-
26 cial taking of game. The governor shall appoint at least one member from
27 each judicial district in the state.

28 (b) The task force shall review the operations of the Guide Board and
29 shall study problems and issues concerning the commercial taking of big

1 game in the state and the businesses or professions that provide goods and
2 services to big game hunters in the state. The task force shall submit to
3 the legislative council, not later than January 15, 1989, a report on its
4 findings and proposed legislation to address the problems and issues
5 covered in the report.

6 (c) The task force terminates January 15, 1989.

7 * Sec. 6. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).