

1 IN THE SENATE

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SENATE BILL NO. 297

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act placing a moratorium on the issuance or
7 granting of licenses, permits, leases, or authoriza-
8 tions for commercial finfish farming; providing for a
9 bivalve spat collection permit; and providing for an
10 effective date."

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

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* Section 1. FINFISH FARMING MORATORIUM. The following licenses, per-
mits, leases, or authorizations may not be issued or granted for the con-
struction or operation of a commercial finfish farm:

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- (1) authorization for use of an interim-use permit for the
experimental commercial taking of a fishery resource (AS 16.05.050(10));
- (2) fish farming license (AS 16.05.340(a)(14));
- (3) collection permit (AS 16.05.340(b));
- (4) land use or tidelands permit (AS 38.05.035);
- (5) a land lease (AS 38.05.070);
- (6) fish transport permit (5 AAC 41.005);
- (7) permit to appropriate water (11 AAC 93.120);
- (8) temporary water use permit (11 AAC 93.210 - 11 AAC 93.220).

* Sec. 2. NO PREFERENCE INTENDED. A license, permit, lease, or au-
thorization described in sec. 1 of this Act that is issued or granted for a
purpose other than commercial finfish farming and that is in effect during
the period of the moratorium imposed by sec. 1 of this Act does not create
a right or preference with regard to the issuance, granting, or renewal of,
or conditions or limitations placed on, any license, permit, lease, or

1 authorisation for aquatic farming after the period of the moratorium.

2 * Sec. 3. AS 16.05.340(b) is amended to read:

3 (b) The commissioner of fish and game may issue without cost a
4 permit to collect fish and game, including fur animals, subject to
5 limitations and provisions that are appropriate, for a scientific,
6 propagative, or educational purpose. The commissioner also may issue
7 a permit for the collection of bivalve spat for use in connection with
8 an aquatic farm. In addition, the commissioner shall issue a permit
9 for the collecting of wild fur animals for improving the genetic stock
10 of fur farm animals. Permits issued under this subsection shall be in
11 accordance with current sustained yield management practices for the
12 species of wild game for which the permit is requested. The annual
13 permit fee for an Alaska resident to collect wild fur animals for fur
14 farming purposes is the same as the fee for resident trappers.

15 * Sec. 4. Section 1 of this Act is repealed July 1, 1988.

16 * Sec. 5. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).