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1 IN THE SENATE BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 398 (Judiciary)

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 certain reports and records
7 concerning game animals."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 16.05.815 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

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

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

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

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

18 (d) Except to the extent necessary to prosecute a criminal
19 action based on a trapping or hunting document, a department that
20 receives a trapping or hunting document from the department under (c)
21 of this section shall also maintain the confidentiality of the identi-
22 fying information in the document.

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

26 (f) In this section,

27 (1) "identifying information" means names, addresses, or
28 other information that identifies individual trappers or hunters and
29 specifically identifies their individual take or activity;

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

4 (3) "trapping or hunting document" means a report or record
5 that is required by regulations of the department concerning the
6 taking, sealing, acquisition of the untanned skin, or exportation from
7 the state of the fur, of a game animal taken by trapping or hunting.