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1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 76

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to confidentiality of certain fish-  
7 ery reports and records."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 16.05.815(a) is amended to read:

10 (a) Except as provided in (b) and (c) of this section, records  
11 required by regulations of the department concerning the landings of  
12 fish, shellfish, or fishery products, and annual statistical reports  
13 of buyers and processors required by regulation of the department are  
14 confidential and may not be released by the department except that the  
15 department may release

16 (1) any of its records and reports to the National Marine  
17 Fisheries Service as required for preparation and implementation of  
18 the fishery management plans of the North Pacific Fishery Management  
19 Council within the exclusive economic [FISHERY CONSERVATION] zone;  
20 [HOWEVER, INFORMATION RELEASED TO THE NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SER-  
21 VICE UNDER THIS PARAGRAPH MAY NOT DISCLOSE THE IDENTITY OF INDIVIDUAL  
22 FISHERMEN OR THEIR VESSELS;]

23 (2) any of its records and reports to the Department of  
24 Revenue and to the Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission to  
25 assist them in carrying out their statutory responsibilities;

26 (3) records or reports of the total value purchased by each  
27 buyer to a municipality that levies and collects a tax on fish, shall-  
28 fish, or fishery products if the municipality

29 (A) requires records of the landings of fish,

1 shellfish, or fishery products to be submitted to it for purposes  
2 of verification of taxes payable; and

3 (B) maintains the confidentiality of reports and  
4 records that it receives under this paragraph;

5 (4) such records and reports as necessary to be in  
6 conformity with a court order;

7 (5) on request, the report of a person to the person whose  
8 fishing activity is the subject of the report; [AND]

9 (6) fish tickets and fish ticket information to the  
10 division of fish and wildlife protection, Department of Public Safety;  
11 and

12 (7) fish tickets and fish ticket information regarding  
13 halibut to the International Pacific Halibut Commission.