

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 65 (FINANCE) am  
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES DAVIDSON, Koponen, Moyer

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to membership on the Board of Fisheries and Board of Game; relating  
2 to disclosures under the Alaska Executive Branch Ethics Act by members of the Board  
3 of Fisheries and Board of Game; and repealing certain references to the Board of  
4 Fisheries and Board of Game."

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

6 \* Section 1. AS 16.05.221 is amended to read:

7           Sec. 16.05.221. BOARDS OF FISHERIES AND GAME. (a) For purposes of the  
8 conservation and development of the fishery resources of the state, there is created the Board of  
9 Fisheries composed of seven members appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by a  
10 majority of the members of the legislature in joint session. The governor shall appoint each  
11 member on the basis of interest in public affairs, good judgment, knowledge, and ability in  
12 the field of action of the board, and with a view to providing diversity of interest and points  
13 of view in the membership. The appointed members shall be residents of the state and shall  
14 be appointed without regard to political affiliation or geographical location of residence. The

1 commissioner is not a member of the Board of Fisheries, but shall be ex officio secretary.

2 (b) For purposes of the conservation and development of the game resources of the state,  
3 there is created a Board of Game composed of seven members appointed by the governor, subject  
4 to confirmation by a majority of the members of the legislature in joint session. The governor  
5 shall appoint each member on the basis of interest in public affairs, good judgment,  
6 knowledge, and ability in the field of action of the board, and with a view to providing  
7 diversity of interest and points of view in the membership. The appointed members shall be  
8 residents of the state [,] and shall be appointed without regard to political affiliation or  
9 geographical location of residence. The commissioner is not a member of the Board of Game,  
10 but shall be ex officio secretary.

11 \* Sec. 2. AS 16.05.221 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

12 (c) Members of the Board of Fisheries or Board of Game serve staggered terms of three  
13 years and until a successor is appointed. An appointment to fill a vacancy in the membership  
14 of the Board of Fisheries or Board of Game shall be made in the same manner as the original  
15 appointment and for the balance of the unexpired term.

16 \* Sec. 3. AS 16.05.280 is amended to read:

17 Sec. 16.05.280. REMOVAL OF BOARD MEMBERS. The governor may only remove  
18 a board member for inefficiency, neglect of duty, [OR] misconduct in office, or because the  
19 member has been convicted of a misdemeanor for violating a statute or regulation related  
20 to fish or game or of a felony, and shall do so by delivering to the member a written copy of  
21 the charges and giving the member an opportunity to be heard in person or through counsel at  
22 a public hearing before the governor or a designee upon at least 10 days' notice by registered  
23 mail. The member may confront and cross-examine adverse witnesses. Upon removal, the  
24 governor or a designee shall file in the proper state office the findings and a complete statement  
25 of all charges made against the member.

26 \* Sec. 4. AS 39.52.120 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

27 (c) In addition to other provisions of this section, a public officer who is a member of  
28 the Board of Fisheries or the Board of Game may not act on a matter before the board if the  
29 public officer has not disclosed in the manner set out in AS 39.52.220 all personal or financial  
30 interests in a business or organization relating to fish or game resources.

31 \* Sec. 5. APPLICABILITY. A person who is a member of the Board of Fisheries or Board of Game

1 on the effective date of this Act shall serve the term to which the person was appointed, subject to  
2 AS 16.05.280, as amended by sec. 3 of this Act. A person who is appointed to the Board of Fisheries  
3 or Board of Game after the effective date of this Act shall be appointed for the term provided by  
4 AS 16.05.221(c).  
5 \* Sec. 6. AS 39.05.060(a)(5) and 39.05.060(a)(10) are repealed.