

HOUSE BILL NO. 369

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE JACKO

Introduced: 1/13/92

Referred: Resources, Labor & Commerce, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the price paid to fishermen for salmon."

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

3 \* Section 1. AS 16.05.690 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

4 (c) A fish ticket recording the purchase of salmon must include the price paid per pound  
5 for each species of salmon purchased.

6 \* Sec. 2. AS 16.10 is amended by adding new sections to read:

7 Sec. 16.10.277. PUBLICATION OF PROPOSED SALMON PRICE. (a) A fish  
8 processor, primary fish buyer, or cooperative corporation organized under AS 10.15 shall set and  
9 publish a proposed price for salmon at least 120 days before the start of a salmon fishing season  
10 in an administrative area in which the fish processor, primary fish buyer, or cooperative  
11 corporation intends to purchase salmon from fishermen. At least 110 days before the start of a  
12 salmon fishing season, a fish processor, primary fish buyer, or cooperative corporation that has  
13 set a proposed price for salmon shall

14 (1) mail a notice of the proposed price to all newspapers and salmon tender

1 operators in the administrative area in which the fish processor, primary fish buyer, or  
2 cooperative corporation intends to purchase salmon from fishermen; and

3 (2) prominently post the notice of the proposed price on the premises where the  
4 salmon will be purchased.

5 (b) A salmon tender operator who receives a notice of a proposed price for salmon under  
6 (a) of this section shall prominently post the notice at the location where salmon are received for  
7 tendering.

8 (c) For the purposes of this section, the Department of Fish and Game shall designate  
9 the start of the salmon fishing season for each salmon fishery in the state. The start of a salmon  
10 fishing season is the earliest date on which a salmon fishing season may reasonably begin under  
11 commercial fishing regulations.

12 (d) A fish processor, primary fish buyer, or cooperative corporation who violates (a) of  
13 this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and is punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.

14 (e) In this section, "administrative area" means an administrative area established by the  
15 Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission under AS 16.43.200.

16 Sec. 16.10.278. POSTING OF CURRENT SALMON PRICE. A fish processor, primary  
17 fish buyer, or cooperative corporation organized under AS 10.15 shall prominently post the  
18 current price being paid for salmon at each location where salmon are purchased.