

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 490 (RESOURCES)
IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/10/92
Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVE GRUSSENDORF

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act prohibiting the sale or purchase of parts of bears and prohibiting the possession
2 of more than one bear gall bladder."

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

4 * Section 1. AS 16.05.920 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

5 (e) A person may not knowingly sell, purchase, offer to sell or purchase, or possess for
6 sale the meat, hide, teeth, claws, or other parts of a brown or black bear. A person who violates
7 this subsection is guilty of a class C felony; however, the fine that may be imposed for violations
8 of this subsection may not exceed \$100,000. It is an affirmative defense to a prosecution under
9 this subsection that a bear skin or bear trophy was purchased or offered to be purchased from,
10 or sold or offered to be sold by, or possessed for sale by

11 (1) a taxidermist licensed under this chapter, an estate executor, or a bankruptcy
12 referee under the terms of a permit issued by the department; or

13 (2) the state as excess property.

14 (f) A person may not knowingly possess more than one black bear or brown bear gall

1 bladder.

2 • **Sec. 2.** AS 16.05.925 is amended to read:

3 **Sec. 16.05.925. PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS.** Except as provided in AS 16.05.430,
4 16.05.722, 16.05.723, 16.05.831, [AND] 16.05.860, and 16.05.920(e), a person who violates
5 AS 16.05.920, or a regulation adopted under this chapter or AS 16.20, is guilty of a class A
6 misdemeanor.