

SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 490 (RESOURCES)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Offered: 5/6/92
Referred: Judiciary

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES GRUSSENDORF, Barnes

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act prohibiting the sale or purchase of parts of bears and relating to possession of
2 bear gall bladders."

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 16.05.255 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (e) The Board of Game may adopt regulations regarding the possession and personal use
6 of bear gall bladders.

7 * **Sec. 2.** AS 16.05.920 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

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

14 (1) a taxidermist licensed under this chapter, an estate executor, or a bankruptcy

1 referee under the terms of a permit issued by the department; or

2 (2) the state as excess property.

3 * Sec. 3. AS 16.05.925 is amended to read:

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

8 * Sec. 4. The Board of Game shall, by January 1, 1993, adopt regulations restricting possession and
9 personal use of black bear and brown bear gall bladders under AS 16.05.255(e), added by sec. 1 of this
10 Act.