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Urging renegotiation of the Convention authorizing the International Pacific Halibut Commission so that foreign fishing of North Pacific halibut stocks is prohibited at the earliest possible time.

COMMITTEE REPORT

1-12-77

HOUSE

Jan. 18, 1977 Date

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on RESOURCES has had HJR 2

under consideration. A majority of the members of the Committee

- recommends it do pass
- recommends it do not pass
- recommends it do pass with attached amendment(s)
- recommends it be replaced with CS for _____ and that CS for _____ do pass
- (and) recommends it be referred to the _____ committee
- reports it back without recommendation
- AND attaches a report of its intent
- (other) _____

MEMBERS SIGNING THE MAJORITY REPORT:

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MEMBERS NOT CONCURRING IN THE MAJORITY REPORT:

_____ recommends: _____

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Chairman

Memo to: Rep. Dick Eliason

From: Don Kubley

Date: January 17, 1977

Re: Number of Halibet Licenses Issued on Limited Entry Permits

1974	Total 694 permits (all bottomfish)
1975	654 Halibet licenses, boats smaller than 26' 645 Halibet licenses, boats larger than 26'
	39 Bottomfish licenses, boats smaller than 26' 44 Bottomfish licenses, boats larger than 26'
1976	1,080 Halibet licenses, boats smaller than 25' 969 Halibet licenses, boats larger than 26'
	66 Bottomfish licenses, boats smaller than 26' 59 Bottomfish licenses, boats larger than 26'

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GOVERNOR HAMMOND SEEKS POSITION ON FISHERIES CONVENTION
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Governor Jay Hammond has directed the Alaska State Fisheries Council to propose an Alaska position on the future of the International North Pacific Fisheries Convention (INPFC).

The Commission regulates aspects of high seas fishing involving the U. S., Canada, and Japan. Hammond said the U. S. State Department about a month ago gave the required one-year notice of its intention to terminate the INPFC. Hammond said, "The real purpose of that notice is to create a strong sense of urgency that prompts Japan and Canada into renegotiating the treaty within one year."

The annual INPFC meeting is set for Anchorage in October. Hammond said, "During the 23 year life of the INPFC, built-in procedural roadblocks have prevented us from strengthening our long-standing position of terminating the Japanese high seas salmon fishery on stocks of Bristol Bay and Western Alaska origin. One of the benefits for Alaska from adoption of the extended jurisdiction law was the strengthening of that position. Renegotiation of the treaty should bring it into conformity with the extended jurisdiction law. We must take advantage of this opportunity to achieve the best treaty terms for Alaskans and that is why I have asked the Alaska

State Fisheries Council to study and then recommend an Alaska position."

Hammond said the State Fisheries Council will ask for the assistance of others knowledgeable in the activities of the INPFC and of fisheries management in Alaska.

He said the Council will first prepare a draft position paper on renegotiation objectives which will be the basis for public hearings at appropriate locations, after which the Alaska State Fisheries Council will formulate a solid, effective Alaska position.

Hammond added, "A unified Alaskan position will give us the maximum influence in formulating the United States position at meetings later this year, as well as working most effectively at subsequent international negotiating sessions."