

SB

440

COMMITTEE REPORT

SENATE

1/26/78

FURTHER: FINANCE

Date: _____

Mr. President:

The Committee on RESOURCES has had SB 445
sped. appropriation to Dept. of Fish & Game to Alas a Eskimo Whaling Commission

under consideration and (a majority of the committee) (the committee reports it back as follows)

() 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 _____ () new title () same title

() AND attaches a Letter of Intent () New Fiscal Note

() reports it back without recommendation

() and recommends it be referred to the _____ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING DO PASS:

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Chairman

A M E N D M E N T

Offered in the SENATE

By _____

To: _____ SENATE BILL NO. 440

_____ HOUSE BILL NO. _____

AMENDMENT: Page 1 Line 20

Change July 1, 1978 to MARCH 1, 1978

January 30, 1978

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Honorable Bill Sumner
Senator
State of Alaska
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

SUBJECT: SB #440 by Ferguson

Dear Bill:

The subject bill proposes a special appropriation of State funds to the Department of Fish and Game so that the Department can transfer these funds to a specific organization regardless of the ability of that organization to perform. If indeed studies are needed to "ensure whale stock viability", then those studies should be performed by the best qualified persons available. The Department should be allowed to manage the funds, not be directed to spend them where the legislature dictates.

Highest Personal Regards,


Herbert W. Lenfeldt

January 30, 1978

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SUBJECT: House Joint Resolution #48 by Rules Committee

Dear Bill:


This Resolution advocating the legal hunting of migratory birds in the Spring is not worthy of your support.

The Spring time is the mating and rearing season for all birds. If you kill off the parents, the eggs won't hatch and the young won't survive. The perpetuation of the species is in danger.

Ridged controls of seasons is the principal cause for the comeback experienced by our migratory birds following the disasters of the early thirty's.

I urge you to vote against this Resolution.

Highest Personal Regards,


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SUBJECT: House Bill 674 By Rules Committee

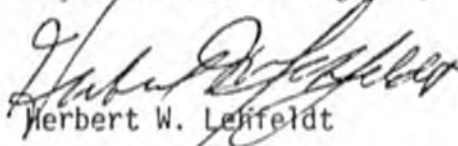
Dear Bill:

This bill proposed to regionalize the Board of Fisheries and the Board of Game. This bill is the most destructive thing that can happen to our Game Management Programs in the State. The fish and wildlife belong to all citizens of the State and should be controlled on a uniform basis throughout the State.

With the free flow of people across the State for hunting and fishing purposes, the regulations should be promogated from one central source.

I urge you to vote against this bill when it is up.

Highest Personal Regards,


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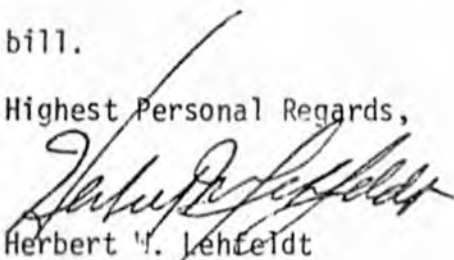
SUBJECT: HB #673 by Rules Committee

Dear Bill:

The subject bill creating a division of subsistence hunting and fishing is probably going to be one of the most significant bills you will be asked to vote on this year. I feel the question of subsistence has long been neglected and abused.

I urge your support of this bill.

Highest Personal Regards,



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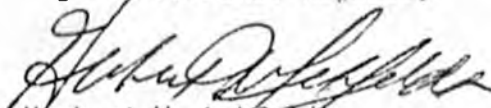
SUBJECT: House Concurrent Resolution #93
by Rules Committee

Dear Bill:

The subject Concurrent Resolution advocating a subsistence committee concerns probably one of the most sensitive areas of game management. Alaska is the only State that I know of where wildlife and fish are allowed to be taken for subsistence purposes. We need better and complete control of this segment of our wildlife management.

I urge you to support this resolution.

Highest Personal Regards,



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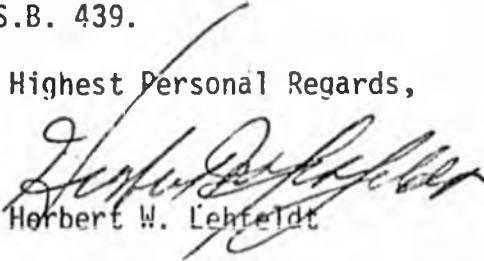
SUBJECT: Senate Bill #439 by Ferguson

Dear Bill:

I urge you to oppose this bill. If the State funds are to be used to "ensure whale stock viability" as advocated by the bill, they should be used to enhance our State Department of Fish and Game so that adequate staff can perform the proposed studies, etal. Any program of this kind should be coordinated by State staff, not private groups grinding their own axes. The State Department has legislative authority to contract for specialist services when needed. This should be adequate.

I urge you to vote against S.B. 439.

Highest Personal Regards,


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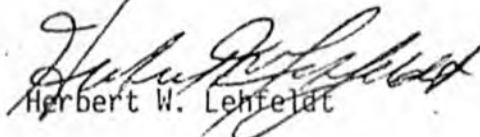
SUBJECT: HB #687 by Buchholdt, etal.

Dear Bill:

I urge you to vote against this bill. To direct the Department of Fish and Game to employ a specific group, without any evaluation of that group's ability to perform is improper. If the legislature wants to give money to this group, do it direct. Don't handcuff our fishery's people by dictating this type of action.

If a study is needed, the best qualified persons should be hired.

Highest Personal Regards,


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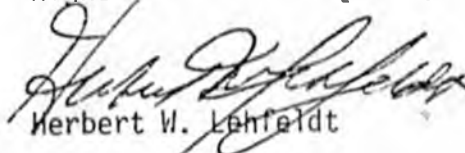
SUBJECT: HB #686 by Buchholdt, etal.

Dear Bill:

This bill authorizes grants to private organizations engaged in efforts to ensure whale stock viability. If such "efforts" are to serve a legitimate State purpose, these grants should be made to the State Department of Fish and Game. This is the only way to assure that the interest of all citizens are protected.

I urge your opposition to the subject bill.

Highest Personal Regards,



Herbert W. Lehfeldt