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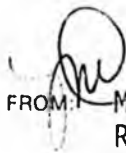
State of Alaska

TO: Harry Treager, Director
Division of Occupational Licensing

DATE: January 27, 1982

FILE NO:

TELEPHONE NO:


FROM: Margie Odland
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Division of Occupational Licensing

SUBJECT: Alien Hunters

Earlier today, I spoke with Kathleen McGuire from the Attorney General's office in Anchorage, in regards to research or opinions rendered concerning alien hunters in Alaska.

Ms. McGuire informed me that she and Liza McCracken had collected some data from 1978 on the number of alien hunters in Alaska and violations by alien hunters. (Violations occurred with and without licensed guides on these hunts). There were alien hunters from 22 countries in 1978. The outstanding number of violations by these hunters fell in the category of unguided bear hunts as follows:

Sweden - 55 unguided black bear hunts

W. Germany - 129 unguided black bear hunts
18 unguided brown bear hunts

Austria - 22 unguided black bear hunts

Ms. McGuire stated that the statistics compiled may be inaccurate since not all violations in 1978 were able to be investigated and, at the time, were not coded into the computer system. (This is now being done).

In 1979, the State collected \$340,000 in tag fees from alien hunters.

There has been no opinion rendered by the Attorney General's office concerning alien hunters. The statistics from the data collected by Ms. McGuire and Ms. McCracken were put in the form of an in-house memorandum only, due to their likelihood of inaccuracy.

BILL ANALYSIS

Department Public Safety		Sponsor (Principal) Hurlbert, Zharoff & Grussendcrf		Bill Number HB 409	
Department Position Support with amendment.					
Division Director Colonel Robert J. Stickles <i>RJS</i>		Date 2/22/81	Commissioner Commissioner William R. Nix <i>WRN</i>		Date 2-25-82

Comments:

Position Noted By _____ Date _____

SUMMARY

1. a) Related Bills (Similar or Conflicting) SB 302 HB 199	1. b) Other Agencies Affected by Bill Unknown
2. a) Organizational Support for Bill Unknown	2. b) Organizational Opposition to Bill Unknown

3. Program Effects of Bill
 Would require non-residents to have a guide or be guided by a relative for specific species. Would require non-resident aliens to have a guide or be guided by a resident for specific species.

4. Fiscal Impact: None Fiscal Note Attached

5. Amendments Proposed:
 Amend HB 409 by adding black bear, (including the cinnamon and blue color phases) deer and mountain goat to the following: AS 16.05.407(d) line 24 or 25; Amend HB 409 by adding Class A guide to the following: AS 16.05.407(a) line 18 or 19; AS 16.05.407(d), line 26 or 27.

6. Comments:
 The above amendments are offered to clean up the bill in perceived enforcement problem areas. Under 16.05.407(a) and (d), non-residents or non-resident alien hunters would be required to have a guide's services to hunt or pursue the big game species mentioned under these specific sections. Without the inclusion of Class A guides there would be a legal question as to whether a non-resident or non-resident alien could legally hunt with a Class A guide under this bill.

Big game species requiring a guide for non-resident aliens should also include black bear (including the cinnamon and blue color phases), deer and mountain goat under 16.05.407(d) of this bill.

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HB 409 Bill Analysis
2/22/82

Large numbers of German, Swedish and Belgium non-resident alien hunters are being placed in camps in areas such as Prince William Sound, the Brooks Range and the Alaska Peninsula by booking agents for the specific purpose of hunting black bear and other species that presently do not require a guide. This places the unsupervised alien hunter in habitat of other big game species covered under HB 409. Inclusion of black bear, deer and mountain goats under this bill would be advantageous to the Division of Fish and Wildlife Protection from an enforcement standpoint.

FISCAL NOTE

I. REQUEST
 Bill/Resolution No. HB 409
 Title An Act Relating to Guiding and Providing and Effective Date
 Requested by Hurlbert, Zharoff and Grussendorf Date 2/19/82

II. FISCAL DETAIL
 Agency Affected Department of Public Safety
 Program Category Affected NNRMEC
 BRU, Program, Or Subprogram(s) Affected Fish & Wildlife Protection
 (Note: If more than one budget component is affected, separate line-item amounts and funding for each component in the analysis section.)

EXPENDITURES (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 82	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86	FY 87
100 PERSONAL SERVICES						
200 TRAVEL						
300 CONTRACTUAL						
400 SUPPLIES						
500 EQUIPMENT						
600 LAND & STRUCTURES						
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC.						
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER (Specify Source)						
	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS

FULL TIME						
PART TIME						
TEMPORARY						
	0	0	0	0	0	0

III. ANALYSIS (See Fiscal Note Preparation Instruction, Section III)

IV. DATE 2/19/82 PREPARED BY Colonel Robert J. Stickles
 AGENCY Department of Public Safety
 Original: Legislative Finance PHONE 269-5522
 cc: Budget and Management
 Prime Sponsor (First Legislator Named) (Signature)
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