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COMMITTEE REPORT

HOUSE

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FURTHER:

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Date: 1-26-82

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on FINANCE has had CSSB 145(SA)

"An Act providing for free resident hunting and sport fishing licenses for disabled veterans; and providing for an effective date."

under consideration and reports it back as follows:

- do pass do not pass
- do pass with attached amendment(s)
- replace with CS for _____ same title
 new title
- and recommends _____
- AND attaches a "Letter of Intent" New Fiscal Note (5.7)
- reports it back without recommendation 6-7-2'
- referred to the _____ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING
DO PASS

Joe Montanari
Robert H. Stewart
Dean Shepherd
Frank [unclear]
Sam H. [unclear]
Paul [unclear]
Robert [unclear]
John [unclear]

MEMBERS HAVING
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Donna [unclear] do not pass w/o amendment

Robert [unclear]
 CHAIRMAN

A M E N D M E N T

OFFERED IN THE HOUSE:

By: Finance

To: CS HOUSE BILL No. _____

SENATE BILL No. 145 (SA)

PAGE: 1

LINE: 20

DELETE "1982", INSERT "1983"

Rep. Fuller

SB 145

Mr. Chairman:

There are currently 515 veterans in Alaska who have a service-connected disability rated at 50% or greater. It is estimated that this figure would increase at the rate of 10% each year, and it is assumed that 50% of the eligible veterans will apply for this license.

Since this bill was introduced last session, it is now recommended that the effective date of this bill be January 1, 1983, because fishing and hunting licenses are sold on a calendar year, and licenses and applications would have to be designed, let out for bid, and licenses printed on special order. The House State Affairs Committee amended the January 1, 1982 date to be January 1, 1983.

Thirty-eight (38) states have a similar hunting and fishing license bill for their disabled veterans. Most states require a 30 % service-connected disability, some require 50%, and a few require 70%.

Four (4) states have introduced a somewhat similar bill, but have not yet passed their bills. Two (2) of these states that have recently introduced bills required 30% disability and the other two require 70%.

The Senate Veteran Affairs Committee thought 50% service-connected disability was fair for our Alaskan veterans.

The Department of Revenue Fiscal Note is for \$5,700 based on the 515 veterans in the State with a 50% service-connected disability, and the Department of Fish and Game also has accepted the Department of Revenue's estimated cost of \$5,700.

Mr. Chairman, I urge the passage of this disabled veteran benefit which most states already have.

ADDITIONAL NOTE:

This state has more veterans per capita by far than any state in the Union. The Governor disestablished the veterans loan program, which was the largest single loan program administered by the State and the single State veterans benefit. Since then, it has been determined that Alaska has less state veterans benefits than any other State, and the veterans of the State have insisted that our veterans should have benefits comparable to most other states. This bill is one of several introduced to help our to its disabled veterans and to show our appreciation for their serving in the US Armed Forces while non-veterans were gaining expertise and seniority in a civilian job.

Original sponsors: Bradley, Bennett,
Dankworth, et al

Offered: 5/15/81
Referred: Resources

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

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CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 145 (State Affairs)

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for free resident hunting and sport
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8 for an effective date."

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orable conditions;

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(B) is eligible for a loan under AS 18.56.101; and

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(C) is certified by the United States Veterans' Adminis-

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* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect January 1, 1982.

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*AS 18.56.101
Disability for veterans'
without charge*

BY BRADLEY, BENNETT, DANKWORTH, KELLY,
ELIASON, MULCAHY, GILMAN, STIMSON,
ZIEGLER, PARR, HOHMAN, STURGULEWSKI
AND FAHRENKAMP

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2 SENATE BILL NO. 145

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*No 26.15
Alaska World War II Vets Act*

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STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

JAY S. HAMMOND, GOVERNOR

POUCH 5
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99811

March 2, 1981

The Honorable Vic Fischer
Chairman
Senate State Affairs Committee
Room 205 - Behrends Building
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Senator Fischer:

Re: Senate Bill No. 145

Senate Bill No. 145, an Act providing for free resident hunting and sport fishing licenses for disabled veterans, was introduced in the Senate on February 4, 1981 and was referred to the Senate State Affairs and Resources Committees.

For the consideration of the Senate State Affairs Committee, I am enclosing a copy of a Fiscal Note prepared by Cecelia A. Wagoner, Fish and Game Licensing Section of the Department of Revenue concerning the proposed legislation.

Sincerely,

R. D. Stevenson
Special Assistant

RDS/rdh

cc: The Honorable Bettie Fahrenkamp
Chairperson
Senate Resources Committee

Joseph K. Donohue
Deputy Commissioner
Department of Revenue

Cecilia A. Wagoner
Fish and Game Licensing Section
Department of Revenue

THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

FISCAL NOTE

I. REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No. SB No 145
 Title An Act providing for free resident hunting and sport fishing licenses for disabled veterans.
 Requested by Senate State Affairs and Resources Committee Date 2/4/81

II. FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected Department of Revenue
 Program Category Affected Sport Fish and Game Fund
 BRU, Program, or Subprogram(s) Affected Department of Fish and Game
 (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)

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400 COMMODITIES						
500 EQUIPMENT						
600 LAND & STRUCTURES						
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC.						
TOTAL						

FUNDING (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER (Specify Fund Source)						
FISH FUND	-0-	(2.6)	(2.8)	(3.1)	(3.4)	(3.8)
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POSITIONS

FULL TIME						
PART TIME						
TEMPORARY						

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

See attached fiscal note

IV. DATE February 26, 1981

PREPARED BY Cecilia A. Wagner for Linda Gene Lochridge
 AGENCY Department of Revenue
 PHONE 465-2376

Original: Legislative Finance
 cc: Budget and Management
 Prime Sponsor (First Legislator Named)

FY 82

50% of 515 eligible veterans = 257

257 x \$10.00 = \$2,570.00 (2.6) sport fish

257 x \$12.00 = \$3,084.00 (3.1) hunting

FY 83 (10% increase)

10% of 515 = 51

51 + 515 = 566

50% x 566 = 283

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283 x \$12.00 = \$3,396.00 (3.4) hunting

FY 84 (10% increase)

10% of 566 = 56

56 + 566 = 622

50% x 622 = 311

311 x \$10.00 = \$3,110.00 (3.1) sport fish

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FY 85 (10% increase)

10% of 622 = 62

62 + 622 = 684

50% x 684 = 342

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FY 86 (10% increase)

10% of 684 = 68

68 + 684 = 752

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STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

JAY S. HAMMOND, GOVERNOR

P.O. BOX 3-2000
JUNEAU, ALASKA 99802
PHONE:

January 22, 1982

Representative E. J. Haugen
Pouch V
Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Mr. Haugen:

This is in answer to an inquiry from Terry Otness, of your office, regarding Senate Bill 145, An Act Providing Free Resident Hunting and Sport Fishing Licences to Disabled Veterans.

Mr. Otness questioned the difference in costs as reflected on the fiscal notes prepared by our Department and the Department of Revenue. Our costs for the first year amounted to \$11,600 as compared to the Department of Revenue's figure of \$5,700 which assumed that 50% of the disabled veterans would not apply for licenses. *(Because they do not, or cannot, or for other reasons) / B* *rent or fish*
We have no problem with the Department of Revenue's estimate and will defer to their figures, as shown on the enclosed fiscal notes.

Sincerely,



Ronald O. Skoog
Commissioner

cc: Legislative Finance
Budget and Management
Senator Bradley
Keith Specking, Office of the Governor

Enclosure

FISCAL NOTE

I. REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No. CS for Senate Bill #145

Title An Act Providing for free resident hunting and sport fishing licenses for

Requested by disabled veterans; and providing for and effect- Date 5-15-81
ive date.

Requested by: Senate Resources Committee

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According to the U.S. Veterans Administration Regional Office for Alaska, located in Anchorage, there are currently 515 veterans in the state who have a service-connected disability that is rated at 50% or greater. The Veterans Administration estimated that this figure would increase at a rate of 10% each year. We are assuming that 50% of the eligible veterans will apply for this license.

See attachment #1

Cecilia A. Wagoner

IV. DATE June 8, 1981

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AGENCY Department of Revenue

PHONE 465-2376

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First Legislator Named

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THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

FISCAL NOTE

I. REQUEST

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 Title An Act providing for free resident hunting and sport fishing licenses for disabled
 Requested by Senate State Affairs and Resources Committee Date 2/14/81 veterans.

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

See attached fiscal note

IV. DATE February 26, 1981 PREPARED BY Cecilia A. Wagoner for Linda Gene Lockridge
 AGENCY Department of Revenue
 PHONE 465-1070

Original: Legislative Finance
 Budget and Management
 First Legislative Session

FISCAL NOTE

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Bill/Resolution No. SB No 145

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Requested by Senate State Affairs and Resources Committee Date 2/14/81 veterans.

II. FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected Department of Revenue

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THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

FISCAL NOTE

I. REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No. SB 145

Title An Act providing free resident hunting and sport fishing license to disabled veterans

Requested by _____ Date 02/06/81

II. FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected Department of Fish and Game

Program Category Affected Natural Resource Management

BRU, Program, or Subprogram(s) Affected Game and Sport Fish

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REVENUE

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

Based on data from the U.S. Government's Veterans Affairs Agency we assume there may be 525 individuals who might take advantage of this program. The revenue reduction is based on the current \$10 and \$15 fee for sport fishing and hunting licenses.

\$10 x 525 = \$5,250
 \$12 x 525 = 6,300
 TOTAL \$11,550

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THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWELFTH LEGISLATURE

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Title An Act providing for free resident hunting and sport fishing licenses for disabled

Requested by Senate State Affairs and Resources Committee Date 2/4/81 veterans.

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

See attached fiscal note

IV. DATE February 26, 1981

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AGENCY Department of Revenue
PHONE 457-3171

Original Legislative Finance
Budget and Management
Internal Control Unit
Name:

S.B. #145 Bill Analysis

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We recommend that the effective date of this bill be January 1, 1982, because fishing and hunting licenses are sold on a calendar year not a fiscal year. Licenses and applications would also have to be designed, bid let out, and the licenses printed all on special order. It would also be extremely unfair to those veterans who had already purchased their licenses for 1981 for cash if some of the eligible group got their license for free. Also, there would be no loss of revenue or expense incurred in Fiscal Year 1981 if the effective date of the bill is January 1, 1982. The license could be purchased with the regular order of 1982 licenses and applications and instructions would be mailed out to the vendor at the normal shipout time.



STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

BILL ANALYSIS

Department Revenue	Sponsor (Principal) Bradley plus twelve	Bill Number SB No 145
Department Position SUPPORT IF AMENDED		
Division Director Donald W. Barnes	Date 2/27/81	Commissioner Thomas R. Williams
		Date 3/1/81

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE USE

Comments:

<input type="checkbox"/> Position Noted	By	Date
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SUMMARY

1. a) Related Bills (Similar or Conflicting)	1. b) Other Agencies Affected by Bill Department of Fish & Game
2. a) Organizational Support for Bill Unknown	2. b) Organizational Opposition to Bill Unknown

3. Program Effects of Bill

There will be an assumed loss to the Department of Fish and Game, Fish fund and Game fund every year.

4. Fiscal Impact: None Fiscal Note Attached

5. Amendments Proposed:

EFFECTIVE DATE SHOULD BE 1/1/82

6. Comments:

Recommend effective date of bill be January 1, 1982, since fishing and hunting licenses are sold on a calendar year not a fiscal year and it would be unfair to those eligible veterans who had already purchased their licenses for cash if some of the eligible groups got theirs for free.