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# STATE OF ALASKA

## DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

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March 2, 1981

The Honorable Vic Fischer  
Chairman  
Senate State Affairs Committee  
Room 205 - Behrens 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,



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Special Assistant

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cc: The Honorable Bettye 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  
 Requested by Senate State Affairs and Resources Committee Date 2/14/81 veterans.

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)

	FY 81	FY 82	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86
100 PERSONAL SERVICES						
200 TRAVEL						
300 CONTRACTUAL						
400 COMMODITIES						
500 EQUIPMENT						
600 LAND & STRUCTURES						
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC.						
<b>TOTAL</b>						

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)
GAME FUND	-0-	(3.1)	(3.4)	(3.8)	(4.1)	(4.5)

POSITIONS

FULL TIME						
PART TIME						
TEMPORARY						

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

S.B. #145 Bill Analysis

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 the rate of 10% each year. We are assuming that 50% of the eligible veterans will apply for this license.

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.

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FISCAL NOTE

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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.

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

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EXPENDITURES (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 81	FY 82	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86
100 PERSONAL SERVICES						
200 TRAVEL						
300 CONTRACTUAL	-0-	1.	1.	1.	1.	1.
400 COMMODITIES						
500 EQUIPMENT						
600 LAND & STRUCTURES						
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC.						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>-0-</b>	<b>1.</b>	<b>1.</b>	<b>1.</b>	<b>1.</b>	<b>1.</b>

FUNDING (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER (Specify Fund Source)						

POSITIONS

FULL TIME						
PART TIME						
TEMPORARY						

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

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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 2/2/81	Commissioner Thomas K. Williams
		Date 3/1/81

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE USE

Comments:

Position Noted

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.

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  
 (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 81	FY 82	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86
100 PERSONAL SERVICES						
200 TRAVEL						
300 CONTRACTUAL						
400 COMMODITIES						
500 EQUIPMENT						
600 LAND & STRUCTURES						
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC.						
<b>TOTAL</b>	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

REVENUE

~~EXPENDITURES~~ (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER (Specify Fund Source)		(11.6)	(11.6)	(11.6)	(11.6)	(11.6)
Fish and Game Fund						

POSITIONS

FULL TIME	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PART TIME						
TEMPORARY						

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

IV. DATE February 13, 1981

PREPARED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
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Original: Legislative Finance  
 cc: Budget and Management

CATCH LINE

ELIGIBILITY FOR VETERANS

TEXT

AS 18.56.101  
THE FOLLOWING PERSONS ARE ELIGIBLE VETERANS

(1) A PERSON WHO SERVED IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES FOR 90 DAYS OR MORE, OR WHOSE SERVICE WAS FOR LESS THAN 90 DAYS BECAUSE OF INJURY OR DISABILITY INCURRED IN THE LINE OF DUTY, AFTER APRIL 6, 1917,

(A) WHO AT THE TIME OF INDUCTION INTO THE SERVICE WAS A RESIDENT OF THE TERRITORY OR STATE, WHO HAD BEEN A RESIDENT FOR NOT LESS THAN ONE YEAR IMMEDIATELY BEFORE HIS INDUCTION, AND WHO RETURNED TO THE TERRITORY OR STATE WITHIN ONE YEAR AFTER DISCHARGE AS A RESIDENT WITH THE INTENTION OF REMAINING IN THE TERRITORY OR STATE; OR

(B) WHO, NOT BEING A BONA FIDE RESIDENT OF THE TERRITORY OR STATE AT THE TIME OF ENTRY INTO THE SERVICE, HAS BEEN A RESIDENT OF THE TERRITORY OR STATE FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR AT THE TIME OF THE LOAN APPLICATION AND HAS BEEN A RESIDENT OF THE TERRITORY OR STATE FOR LEAST FIVE YEARS; AND

(C) WHOSE DISCHARGE WAS UNDER HONORABLE CONDITIONS;

(2) THE WIDOW OR WIDOWER OF A MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF AN ELIGIBLE VETERAN IF

(A) THE MEMBER OR VETERAN WAS A RESIDENT OF THE TERRITORY OR STATE FOR ONE YEAR BEFORE INDUCTION INTO THE SERVICE;

(B) THE MEMBER OR VETERAN SERVED IN THE ARMED FORCES FOR AT LEAST 90 DAYS AFTER APRIL 6, 1917; AND

(C) HIS DISCHARGE WAS UNDER HONORABLE CONDITIONS;

(3) A PERSON WHO HAS SERVED IN THE ALASKA ARMY NATIONAL GUARD, THE ALASKA AIR NATIONAL GUARD, OR THE ALASKA NAVAL MILITIA OR WHO HAS SERVED IN A RESERVE UNIT OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES IN ALASKA IF THE RESERVE UNIT, REQUIRED, AS A MINIMUM, (ONE WEEKEND EACH MONTH OF DUTY) AND 15 CONSECUTIVE DAYS OF ACTIVE DUTY TRAINING EACH YEAR FOR NOT LESS THAN FIVE YEARS AND WHOSE DISCHARGE WAS UNDER HONORABLE CONDITIONS.)