

COMMITTEE REPORT

HOUSE

FURTHER:

2/7/83

Date: 2/11/83

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on FINANCE has had HB 118

An Act relating to the brown and grizzly bear tag requirement for Alaska residents; and providing for an effective date.

under consideration and reports it back as follows:

- do pass do not pass
- do pass with attached amendments(s)
- replace with CS for HB 118 (FIN) same title
 new title
- and recommends to pass
- AND attaches a "Letter of Intent" New Fiscal Note
- reports it back without recommendation Zero Fiscal Note Attached ϕ
- referred to the _____ Committee

MEMBERS SIGNING
DO PASS

MEMBERS HAVING
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

 CHAIRMAN

Original sponsors: Shultz and Liska

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THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

FISCAL NOTE

I. REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No. Committee Substitute for House Bill 118
 Title Brown and Grizzly bear tag fee for residents
 Requested by House Resources Date 2/04/83

II. FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected Department of Fish and Game
 Program Category Affected Game Resource Conservation, NRMEC
 BRU, Program, Or Subprogram(s) Affected Division of 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 83	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86	FY 87	FY 88
100 PERSONAL SERVICES		0	0	0	0	0
200 TRAVEL		0	0	0	0	0
300 CONTRACTUAL		0	0	0	0	0
400 COMMODITIES		0	0	0	0	0
500 EQUIPMENT		0	0	0	0	0
600 LAND & STRUCTURES		0	0	0	0	0
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC.		0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL		0	0	0	0	0

FUNDING (Thousands of Dollars)

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

POSITIONS

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

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

This proposal would result in a reduction of fish and game tag receipt revenues ranging from zero to \$4,000. No other fiscal impact.

At Resources Committee meeting of 2/04/83, ADF&G indicated the impact would be zero.

IV. DATE February 4, 1983 PREPARED BY John Ringstad, Chairman
 AGENCY _____

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

The following individual is expected to testify on CS HB 118
(Resources):

Bob Hinman, Acting Director
Division of Game
Department of Fish & Game

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

DIVISION OF FISH & WILDLIFE PROTECTION

BILL SHEFFIELD GOVERNOR
ROBERT J. SUNDBERG
COMMISSIONER

P. O. BOX 6188, ANNEX
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99502

January 31, 1983

Rec'd
Feb 4 1983

Representative John Ringstad
Chairman, House Resources Committee
State Capitol
Pouch V
Juneau, AK 99811

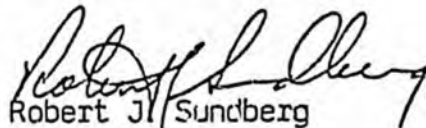
Dear Representative Ringstad:

I would like to present the following position which the Division of Fish and Wildlife Protection, Department of Public Safety holds with regard to House Bill 118 under proposal:

HB 118 - Support

This will increase the incidental take of brown/grizzly bear in selected areas and assist in meeting species management plan.

Sincerely,


Robert J. Sundberg
Commissioner

P. O. Box 28
Glennallen, AK 99588
December 30, 1982

The Honorable Richard Shultz
District 17 Representative
Pouch V
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Representative Shultz:

At the December 7, 1982 Copper Basin Fish and Game Advisory Committee meeting held in Glennallen, an in-depth discussion was held by the committee and a number of local citizens.

At that time, the focal subject of much of this discussion was of brown bear and grizzly bear predation problems and their effects on local game, people and property.

As Unit 11 and 13, in the Copper Basin, are by far the most hunted for caribou and moose, our game numbers are constantly under pressure from hunters. In addition, recent studies have shown that these two units harbor the heaviest concentration of brown bear in the state and per capita possibly the world.

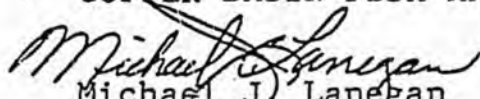
As you may know, we have many adverse confrontations between people and bears each year in our area. Within a half mile of the community of Glennallen, as many as twelve bears wander freely to and from the local garbage dump at all times of the day and night. Some residents have found it necessary to maintain an all-night watch to keep their houses from entry by bears.

In view of the many problems involved with these bears, and their tremendous predation on game animals, this committee and these citizens would like to solicit your aid in the temporary removal of the required \$25 brown bear tag fees. As most residents here cannot justify the \$25 expenditure, we feel that the removal of these fees would allow the taking of many local bears, which are not removed because of the cost of these tags.

On behalf of the people of this community, please consider our request an urgent one and worthy of your efforts to help us in the removal of this required expenditure, which many cannot afford. Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

COPPER BASIN FISH AND GAME ADVISORY BOARD


Michael J. Lanegan
Secretary

ML/11

January 24, 1983

Representative Dick Schultz
State Capitol Building
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Dick:

On January 5, 1983 the Tok Cutoff-Nabesna Road Advisory Committee met in a general meeting to discuss hunting regulations. There were several things discussed with two of them pertaining to you.

#1 We would like to see legislation written and passed that would control or rather stop harrassment of hunters, trappers, and fishermen. We would be able to carry on our life-style without harrassment from the "greenies".

#2 We would like to see legislation written and passed that would eliminate the \$25 trophy tag for resident grizzly/brown bear hunters. We believe the State is rich enough without charging its residents a \$25 fee.

Our committee will be meeting within a few weeks and correspondence from you would be appreciated. I would like to able to tell the folks something about these two items.

Good luck and if there is anything I or this committee can do to help, please let me know.

Sincerely,



Bill Ellis, Chairman
Tok Cutoff-Nabesna Rd. Advisory Committee
S. R. Box 380
Gakona, Alaska 99586
907/822-3426

Amendment

To HB 118 (Finance)

by: Zaroff

Line 11

after "regulation" add - effective

for not more than one year...

Offered: 2/7/83
Referred: Finance

Original sponsors: Shultz and Liska

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Introduced: 1/16/83
Referred: Resources and
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