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**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY
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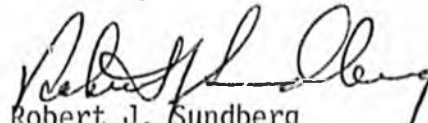
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The Honorable John Ringstad
Chairman, House Resources Committee
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Dear Representative Ringstad:

The Division of Fish and Wildlife Protection, Department of Public Safety, supports HB 273. The Guide Board has been instrumental in decreasing guide violations by disciplining those who have violated and has fairly dealt with the industry in other areas. We concur with your recognized need for this Board and will support your efforts to see passage of this piece of legislation.

Sincerely,


Robert J. Sundberg
Commissioner

cc: Colonel Robert M. Henderson, Director, F&WP

HB 273 "An Act continuing the Guide Licensing and Control Board, and authorizing the board to license marine mammal guides."

SHORT SECTIONAL ANALYSIS

Section 1 simply extends the sunset date on the board from June 30, 1982 to June 30, 1986. The board was extended last year in SB 834, but the bill was vetoed by the Governor because it contained certain unrelated language regarding the validity of regulations promulgated by the administration. Governor Hammond saw the additional section as an invasion of the separation of powers provision of the Constitution.

Technically, the board sunsetted at the end of the last fiscal year, and is now in its wind-down year. Unless the legislature extends its life, it will completely cease to function on June 30.

Section 2 would allow the Guide Licensing and Control Board to take on marine mammal guiding, for which it has already adopted the necessary regulations. It is anticipated that at some point in the next few years the state will regain management authority over marine mammals from the federal government, and it would be helpful to have in place the necessary statutes and regulations to manage the guiding industry on those species.

Editor's notes. — This section was redrafted by the revisor of statutes to remove personal pronouns in conformity with AS 01 05 031(c) and § 4, Chapter 68, SLA 1982.

Cross references. — As to constitutionality of ch. 102, SLA 1976, see notes to AS 09 65 536 and Alas. Const., art. II, § 14.

Chapter 03. Termination, Continuation and Reestablishment of Regulatory Boards.

Section	Section
10. Termination dates for regulatory boards	20. Procedures governing termination, transition and continuation

Cross references. — Auto review of the activities of agencies, boards and commissions, see AS 44 66 010 et seq.

Sec. 08.03.010. Termination dates for regulatory boards. (a) Boards listed in this subsection have a termination date of June 30, 1979:

- (1) Repealed by § 3 ch 36 SLA 1980.
- (2) Repealed by § 3 ch 40 SLA 1980.
- (3) Repealed by § 3 ch 87 SLA 1980.
- (4) Repealed by § 3 ch 74 SLA 1979.
- (5) Repealed by § 3 ch 39 SLA 1980.
- (6) Repealed by § 3 ch 37 SLA 1980.
- (7) Repealed by § 3 ch 38 SLA 1980.
- (8) Repealed by § 3 ch 41 SLA 1980.
- (9) Repealed by § 3 ch 67 SLA 1980.
- (10) Repealed by § 2 ch 43 SLA 1980.
- (11) Repealed by § 3 ch 42 SLA 1980.

(b) Boards listed in this subsection have a termination date of June 30, 1980:

- (1) Repealed by § 15 ch 32 SLA 1980.
- (2) Repealed by § 5 ch 159 SLA 1980.
- (3) Collection Agency Board (AS 08 24.011) (obsolete);
- (4) Repealed by § 5 ch 159 SLA 1980.
- (5) Repealed by § 11 ch 71 SLA 1980.
- (6) Repealed by § 7 ch 72 SLA 1980.
- (7) Repealed by § 2 ch 53 SLA 1981.
- (8) Repealed by § 8 ch 143 SLA 1980.
- (9) Repealed by § 42 ch 167 SLA 1980.
- (10) Repealed by § 2 ch 153 SLA 1980.
- (11) Repealed by § 13 ch 52 SLA 1981.

(c) The following boards have the termination date provided by this subsection:

- (1) Board of Nursing (AS 08 68 010) — June 30, 1983.
- (2) Board of Chiropractic Examiners (AS 08 20 010) — June 30, 1981.

(3) Board of Examiners in Optometry (AS 08 72 010) — June 30, 1984.

(4) Board of Pharmacy (AS 08 80 010) — June 30, 1984.

(5) Board of Dispensing Opticians (AS 08 71 010) — June 30, 1985.

(6) Board of Dental Examiners (AS 08 36 010) — June 30, 1986.

(7) Board of Veterinary Examiners (AS 08 98 010) — June 30, 1985.

(8) State Physical Therapy Board (AS 08 84 010) — June 30, 1986.

(9) Board of Nursing Home Administrators (AS 08 70 010) — June 30, 1986.

(10) Board of Psychologist and Psychological Associate Examiners (AS 08 86 010) — June 30, 1982.

(11) State Medical Board (AS 08 64 010) — June 30, 1983.

(12) Board of Marine Pilots (AS 08 62 010) — June 30, 1983.

(13) Board of Welding Examiners (AS 08 99 010) — June 30, 1981 (obsolete).

(14) Board of Electrical Examiners (AS 08 40 010) — June 30, 1986.

(15) State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors (AS 08 48 011) — June 30, 1984.

(16) Board of Barbers and Hairdressers (AS 08 13 010) — June 30, 1984.

(17) Board of Public Accountancy (AS 08 04 010) — June 30, 1984.

(18) Real Estate Commission (AS 08 88 011) — June 30, 1986.

(19) Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar Association (AS 08 08 040) — June 30, 1985.

(20) Guide Licensing and Control Board (AS 08 54 010) — June 30, 1982.

(d) Repealed by § 3 ch 74 SLA 1979.

(e) Repealed by § 3 ch 74 SLA 1979. (§ 2 ch 149 SLA 1977; am §§ 1, 3 ch 74 SLA 1979; am §§ 1, 3 ch 36 SLA 1980; am §§ 1, 3 ch 37 SLA 1980; am §§ 1, 3 ch 38 SLA 1980; am §§ 1, 3 ch 39 SLA 1980; am §§ 1, 3 ch 40 SLA 1980; am §§ 1, 3 ch 41 SLA 1980; am §§ 1, 3 ch 42 SLA 1980; am §§ 1, 2 ch 43 SLA 1980; am §§ 1, 3 ch 67 SLA 1980; am §§ 10, 11 ch 71 SLA 1980; am §§ 0, 7 ch 72 SLA 1980; am §§ 2, 15 ch 82 SLA 1980; am §§ 1, 3 ch 87 SLA 1980; am §§ 7, 8 ch 143 SLA 1980; am §§ 1, 2 ch 153 SLA 1980; am §§ 2, 5 ch 159 SLA 1980; am §§ 41, 42 ch 167 SLA 1980; am §§ 1, 13 ch 52 SLA 1981; am §§ 1, 2 ch 53 SLA 1981; am § 1 ch 28 SLA 1982; am § 1 ch 60 SLA 1982; am § 1 ch 96 SLA 1982)

Revisor's notes. — Subsection (c) was rearranged by the revisor of statutes pursuant to AS 01 05 031 to conform to a logical arrangement of the subject matter.

Cross references. — For present provisions covering the subject matter of subsection (c) as it read prior to the 1979 amendment and of former subsections (d) and (e), see AS 08 03 020.

Effect of amendments. — The 1979 amendment repealed paragraph (1) of subsection (a), which read "Board of Nursing (AS 08 68 010)," rewrite subsection (c), and repealed subsections (d) and (e), which read "The termination, dissolution, continuation or reestablishment of a regulatory board shall be governed by the legislative oversight procedures of AS

for shipping to its destination for the purpose of human consumption. If the meat is delivered to a person other than the person who took the animal, a signed and dated statement or receipt stating the kind and quantity of meat received in approximate pounds or named portions of the carcass must be obtained from the recipient and presented upon request to any officer authorized to enforce this chapter. (Eff. 6/28/74, Reg. 50)

Authority: AS 08.54.050

12 AAC 38.120. COOPERATION WITH OFFICIALS. Failure on the part of a guide to assist the Departments of Fish and Game and Public Safety in determining the truth of any statements reported in accordance with 12 AAC 38.030 - 12 AAC 38.180 is considered a violation of ethical conduct. (Eff. 6/28/74, Reg. 50)

Authority: AS 08.54.050

12 AAC 38.130. REQUIREMENT FOR AN ASSISTANT GUIDE LICENSE. Repealed 5/12/79.

12 AAC 38.140. REQUIREMENTS FOR A REGISTERED GUIDE LICENSE. In addition to the requirements of AS 08.54.110, to be qualified for a registered guide license, a person must

(1) demonstrate to the board that he has spent 90 days in the field acting as an assistant guide as certified by the master or registered guides who employed him;

(2) not have violated a federal or state sport fish, game or guide statute or regulation or engaged in unethical activity, unsafe activity or activity which adversely affects the natural resources of the state for the preceding five years. (Eff. 6/28/74, Reg. 50)

Authority: AS 08.54.050
AS 08.54.110(12)

12 AAC 38.150. REQUIREMENTS FOR A MASTER GUIDE. In addition to the requirements of AS 08.54.100, to be qualified for a master guide license a person must have acted as a registered guide for 12 consecutive years. (Eff. 6/28/74, Reg. 50)

Authority: AS 08.54.050
AS 08.54.100(5)

12 AAC 38.155. REQUIREMENTS FOR MARINE MAMMAL GUIDE LICENSE. (a) To help provide economic opportunity for residents of rural coastal Alaska who engage in subsistence uses of marine mammals, the board will, in its discretion, issue a marine mammal guide license to an applicant who meets the following criteria:

(1) is at least 21 years old;

(2) has legally hunted marine mammals during each of at least 10 years, in a manner directly contributing to his experience and competency as a marine mammal guide;

(3) is physically able to perform the services of a marine mammal guide;

(4) demonstrates to the board sufficient standards of competence and ethical conduct and has not been convicted of a crime of moral turpitude;

(5) passes a qualification examination approved by the board and administered by the board or its agent, which covers the following areas:

(A) fishing, hunting, and guiding regulations;

(B) relevant characteristics of marine mammals;

(C) relevant characteristics of the ice, ocean, currents, and weather;

(D) field preparation of trophies;

(E) care of meat;

(F) firearms safety;

(G) practical first aid;

(H) photography; and

(I) booking and contracting guided hunts.

(b) A marine mammal guide will be authorized only to contract for and conduct guided hunts for species of marine mammals and in geographic areas of the state designated by the board.

(c) No marine mammal guide may contract for, or guide, more than two hunters in the field on any one hunt.

(d) A marine mammal guide must comply with AS 08.54 and 12 AAC 38. (Eff. 10/15/82, Reg. 84)

Authority: AS 08.54.040(a) and (b)
AS 08.54.050

12 AAC 38.156. REQUIREMENTS FOR ASSISTANT MARINE MAMMAL GUIDE LICENSE.

(a) To help provide economic opportunity for residents of rural coastal Alaska who engage in subsistence uses of marine mammals, the board will, in its discretion, issue an assistant marine mammal guide license to an applicant who meets the following criteria:

(1) is at least 19 years old;

(2) has legally hunted marine mammals during each of at least seven years, in a manner directly contributing to his experience and competency as an assistant marine mammal guide;

(3) is physically able to perform the duties of an assistant marine mammal guide; and

(4) demonstrates to the board sufficient standards of competence and ethical conduct and has not been convicted of a crime of moral turpitude.

(b) No assistant marine mammal guide may

(1) book or contract for a guided marine mammal hunt;

(2) conduct a guided hunt for marine mammals; or

(3) guide for a marine mammal, unless under the immediate supervision of a licensed marine mammal guide. (Eff. 10/15/82, Reg. 84)

Authority: AS 08.54.040(a) and (b)
AS 08.54.050

12 AAC 38.160. IMPROPER CERTIFICATION. No master or registered guide may improperly certify that a person has met the qualifications for a guide license. (Eff. 6/28/74, Reg. 50)

Authority: AS 08.54.050

12 AAC 38.170. IMPROPER REPORTING. No guide may knowingly falsify any information required to be set out on any form required by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game or the Guide Licensing and Control Board. (Eff. 6/28/74, Reg. 50)

Authority: AS 08.54.050

12 AAC 38.175. EMPLOYMENT AND SUPERVISION OF ASSISTANTS. A registered or master guide may employ an unlimited number of registered, master, or class A guides to assist in his guiding operation; a registered or master guide may employ or have under his supervision an unlimited number of employees and helpers who hold assistant guide licenses, but not more than three employees may act in the capacity of, or be employed as, assistant guides at the same time by the same registered or master guide. No assistant guide employed or acting in a capacity other than as assistant guide may count any period of such other employment toward qualification for a registered, master or class A guide license. (Eff. 6/15/80, Reg. 74)

Authority: AS 08.54.210(a)(6)
AS 08.54.050
AS 08.54.040(a)(2)

12 AAC 38.180. GUIDING ETHICS. Unethical activity includes, but is not limited to

(1) not fully cooperating with state and federal wildlife officials or not abiding by and advising clients and personnel of all applicable conservation and game laws and regulations or condoning their violation;

(2) misrepresenting or not clearly defining rates, accommodations and services to prospective clients prior to booking and acceptance of deposit, or otherwise misleading prospective clients through false or fictitious advertising;

(3) being unwilling or incapable of making financial restitution to a client for any breach of

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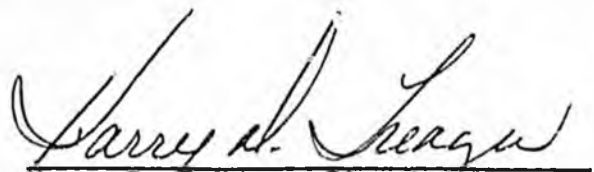
HB 273: "An Act continuing the Guide Licensing and Control Board, and authorizing the board to license marine mammal guides; and providing for an effective date."

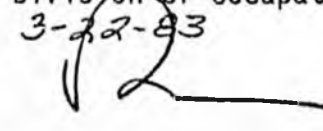
The Department of Commerce and Economic Development supports the continuation of the Guide Licensing and Control Board and the addition of licensing and regulating functions for marine mammal guides to the board.

In 1982, legislation to continue the board was passed by the Legislature and was subsequently vetoed by the Governor. The veto was due to language that "violated the constitutional separation-of-powers doctrine and determined to violate Article III, sections 1, 16 and 24 of the Alaska Constitution by infringing upon the inherent authority of the Guide Board to adopt interpretative regulations to execute AS 08.54." (Letter from Governor Hammond to Senate President Jalmar Kerttula, dated June 24, 1982.) This language is not in SB 138.

The board has responsibly addressed issues that concern licensed professional guides and the protection of resources. Two major issues which involved the board were land withdrawals under D2 and their effects on the guiding industry, and the preparation of a licensing program in anticipation of the Federal Government returning marine mammal protection and management to State jurisdiction. A marine mammal guide licensing program, including an examination (both oral and written), has been formulated and administered on a trial basis. The board held meetings in Western Alaska, and worked with Native representatives from the Arctic villages to establish the program.

The Alaska Professional Hunters Association also supports continuation of the Guide Licensing and Control Board.


Harry D. Treager, Director
Division of Occupational Licensing
3-22-83

 3/22/83
Richard A. Lyon, Commissioner
Department of Commerce and
Economic Development

STATE OF ALASKA
FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date March , 1983

I. REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 273
 Title: An Act continuing the Guide Licensing
 Sponsor: Resources Committee & Control Bd.
 Requestor: _____

II. FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected: Commerce & Econ. Development
 Program Category Affected: Public Protection
 BRU, Program of Subprogram(s) Affected: Licensing Boards

EXPENDITURES, REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 83	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86	FY 87	FY 88
OPERATING						
100 PERSONAL SERVICES						
200 TRAVEL						
300 CONTRACTUAL						
400 COMMODITIES						
500 EQUIPMENT						
600 LAND & STRUCTURES						
700 GRANTS, CLAIMS, ETC						
TOTAL OPERATING	18.0	19.0				
CAPITAL						
REVENUE	* 38.8					

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND	18.0	19.0				
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER (Specify Source)						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

III. SOURCE OF FUNDS TO OFFSET FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL:

IV. ANALYSIS: Attach a separate page for any Analysis

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HB 273: FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

Expenditures are those funds allocated for board per diem and travel only, under the division's budget - Licensing Boards component.

Additional expenditures in support of the board are allocated through the Administrative component of the division's budget. The licensing examiner assigned to the Guide Board serves two other licensing boards in addition to the Guide Licensing and Control Board.

The legislation, as written, will not add a fiscal impact.

Funding for the board has been included in the FY '84 request.

GUIDE LICENSING AND CONTROL BOARD STATISTICS

I. NUMBER OF CURRENT LICENSEES BY TYPE OF LICENSE - 12/31/82

Assistant Guide		666
Class A Assistant Guide		122
Registered Guide		346
Master Guide		41
	Subtotal	<u>1,175</u>
Transporter		75
	Total	<u>1,250</u>

II. HEARINGS FOR LICENSE VIOLATIONS AND AREA NONUSE (FY '82)

	<u>Lic.</u>	<u>Area</u>
Pending	4	17
Opened	6	44
Held	9	49
Completed	8	46

5 Revoked
 1 Suspended
 1 Denied
 1 Approved
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III. NUMBER OF LICENSES ISSUED BY FISCAL YEAR BY TYPE OF LICENSE

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>MASTER</u>	<u>REGISTERED</u>	<u>CLASS A</u>	<u>ASSISTANT</u>	<u>TRANSPORTER</u>
1973	11	397*	126*	735*	---
1974	17	*	*	*	---
1975	1	*	*	*	---
1976	3	11	40	202	---
1977	4	18	23	109	6**
1978	4	18	18	112	47
1979	2	18	9	135	24
1980	2	16	12	151	15
1981	2	21	11	123	32
1982	<u>1</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>124</u>	<u>26</u>
TOTALS	47	525	245	1,691	150

* Figures for 1973-5 merged

** Licensing of transporters began in FY '77

IV. EXCLUSIVE AREAS

There are 366 exclusive areas statewide.

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

DIVISION OF FISH & WILDLIFE PROTECTION

BILL SHEFFIELD, GOVERNOR

ROBERT J. SUNDBERG
COMMISSIONER

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February 4, 1983

Paul Conger
Legislative Aide
Department of Public Safety
450 Whittier Street
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear Paul:

This is in response to the request by the House Resource Committee for information on the hunting and fishing guides in the State of Alaska.

In regards to fishing guides we have numerous individuals who provide charter and commercial fishing trips throughout the state, however, there is only one area within the state that has specific regulations relating to sport fishing guides, and that is on the Kenai River, located on the Kenai Peninsula. I am enclosing a copy of the codification of Register 82, 5 AAC 56.036, Kenai River Guiding Requirements. The sport fish guides on the Kenai River are required to maintain logs and provide information on their trips, however, reporting of monetary remuneration is not required.

It is estimated that a guided sport fish trip on the Kenai River costs approximately \$80.00 to \$100.00 per person.

The following information pertains to the sport fish guides who registered with the Department of Fish and Game in 1982, the first year of the regulation being in effect.

- 207 Sport fish guides who registered and were issued log books
- 43 Did not actually fish -- no logs
- 56 Sport fish guides who took 50 or more clients
- 125 Separate sport fish guide business, with one or more guides employed
- 179 Boats registered by guides

There were approximately 24,880 man days of sport fishing efforts by the guides and clients on the Kenai River in 1982.

It is a requirement for game guides to submit a statement of financial remuneration report that does reflect the name of the client(s) who was/were guided. Enclosed is a blank statement of a financial remuneration form that shows the required information that must be submitted on all guided hunts.

There is no requirement that a guide must show the amount of monetary remuneration received from a client for the guide service provided.

There is a space provided on the form that the guide must mark to indicate if financial remuneration was or was not received from a client.

We have the following classification and numbers of guides in the state of Alaska as of this date.

Master Guides	41
Registered Guides	346
Class A Assistant Guides	122
Assistant Guides	666

In 1981 there were approximately 1120 non-resident clients and 350 non-resident alien clients who were provided guide service.

In 1980 there were a combined total of 1600 non-resident and non-resident alien clients provided with guide service. We have not had an opportunity to compile the number of clients receiving guide service for 1982.

The following information is an estimated high and low cost that a guide charges for the animal hunted by a client.

Sheep	\$4,500 to \$5,500
Moose	\$3,000 to \$4,000
Caribou	\$1,500 to \$2,500
Black Bear	\$1,500 to \$2,500
Brown Bear	\$5,000 to \$9,000

There are some guides who will charge a client a lesser overall price for a combination hunt as when compared to a single animal hunt. For more information on prices we suggest contacting the Alaska Professional Hunters Association.

Paul Conger

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February 4, 1983

If we can be of further assistance to you on this matter, please let us know.

Sincerely,



Captain James R. Nutgrass
Operations Commander

JRN/rt
Attachment

STATE OF ALASKA
FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date , 1983

I. REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 273
 Title: "Guide Licensing & Control Board"
 Sponsor: House Resources
 Requestor: House Resources

II. FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected: Public Safety
 Program Category Affected: F&WP
 BRU, Program of Subprogram(s) Affected: Fish and Wildlife Protection

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

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POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
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TEMPORARY						

III. SOURCE OF FUNDS TO OFFSET FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL:

IV. ANALYSIS: Attach a separate page for any Analysis No fiscal impact anticipated

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SENATE BILL 138 EXTENDS THE GUIDE LICENSING & CONTROL BOARD FOR ANOTHER" FOUR YEARS. I WOULD URGE ITS PASSAGE FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS: TESTIMONY BEFORE OUR SENATE COMMITTEE SHOWED THE PROFESSION IS A VERY VIABLE INDUSTRY GENERATING 320 MILLION INTO THE ECONOMY. IN MANY RESPECTS, IT IS A FACTOR OF THE TOURIST TRADE. THE HUNTER CLIENT SPENDS MONEY FOR TRAVEL, HOTEL, SPECIAL GIFTS, AND STATE LICENSES AND GAME TAGS. THE NON-RESIDENT LICENSE MONEY IS USED ON A 4 TO 1 MATCHING PROGRAM UNDER THE FEDERAL PITTMAN-ROBENSON ACT. THE MONEY HAS FUNDED 80 TO 90% OF STATE PROGRAMS.

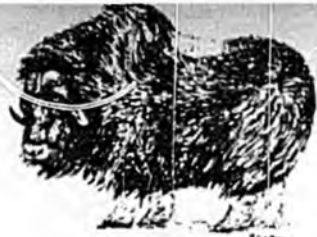
THE GUIDE BOARD HAS BEEN INEXISTENCE FOR TEN YEARS. IT HAS ACCOMPLISHED MANY THINGS. IT HAS DEVELOPED A HIGH STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE. IN DOING SO IT HAS REVOKED OVER 25 GUIDE LICENSES. MANY OF THESE WERE SOME OF THE BIG OPERATORS IN THE STATE. THE INDUSTRY HAS BECOME VERY CONSERVATION MINDED AND HAS WORKED CLOSELY WITH BOTH THE DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND THE FISH AND WILDLIFE PROTECTION.

THE BOARD HAS ESTABLISHED ORDER BY HAVING BOUNDARIES IN WHICH THE GUIDE MUST WORK. THIS HAS ELIMINATED CONFLICT IN THE FIELD.

THE BOARD HAS HELD HEARINGS AND WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE WALRUS COMMISSION TO DEVELOP REGULATIONS FOR LICENSING MARINE MAMMAL GUIDES. THE STATE IS IN THE PROCESSE OF TAKING OVER MANAGEMENT AND WHEN THIS HAPPENS IT WILL BE A BIG HELP IN SUPPLEMENTING THE ARCTIC ECONOMY.

TESTIMONY WAS RECEIVED FROM NEW AND YOUNG GUIDES, THAT THE PROGRAM IS WORKING AND THEY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO WORK INTO THE SYSTEM.

I URGE THE PASSAGE OF S.B. 138.



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March 17, 1983



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Rep. Ringstead, Co-Chairman
House of Resource Committee
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Dear Rep. Ringstead:

This is to let you know that I am fully supporting Guide Bill 138 in the House.

I would like to see continuation of the Guide Board in the State we live in today as with out Guide Board, guiding in Alaska will not function right.

Being Arctic representative I have been working hard to get Sea Mammal Guides started in coastal areas for walrus and Polar bear hunting.

There are many Ivory carvers in coastal areas, but there are good hunters who needs to be licensed to become Sea Mammal Guides.

Sincerely yours,

Edward J. Shavings, Sr.

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Arctic Representative for
Alaska Professional Hunter's Association

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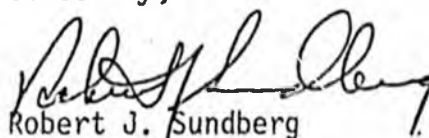
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