

HB

216

HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

(9)
Date referred: 3/27/87

FURTHER REFERRALS: Finance

DATE: _____

The Resources Committee has considered HB 216
"An Act relating to game farming."

RECOMMENDS:

- replace with _____ the same title
- attached amendment(s) a new title
- do pass
- do not pass
- no recommendation
- individual recommendations
- additional referral to the _____ Committee

ADOPTS: _____ letter of intent

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(s):

- fiscal impact same as previous fiscal note published _____
- zero fiscal note same as previous zero fiscal note published _____
- zero with analysis

SIGNING DO PASS:

Jim G.T.
Mike Hancock
John P.
Cliff Davidson
Dick Stettin
Kevin Sprung

SIGNING OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Lyne H. H. R.

Jim G.T.
 Chairman's signature

STATE OF ALASKA 1987 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST: _____

Bill Version: HB 216
Publish Date: _____

Revision Date: _____
Title: An Act relating to game farming
Sponsor: Larson and Menard
Requestor: _____

Agency Affected: Fish and Game
BRU: Game
Components: _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91	FY 92
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING						

CAPITAL						
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REVENUE		1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.2
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FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL						

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary) Indications are that approximately 50-60 people are presently farming birds without a valid license. Assumes most of these people (40) would buy a license if fee were lower and that an additional 20 people who presently do not farm birds because fee is too high would buy license and farm birds. Biennial revenues would be \$1,200--presently they are \$200.

Prepared by: Lew Pamplin, Director Phone: 465-4190
Division: Game Date: 4/24/87

Approved by Commissioner: Donna Pellensworth Date: 4-24-87
Agency: Fish and Game

- Distribution (by preparer):
- Legislative Finance
 - Legislative Sponsor
 - Requestor
 - Office of Management and Budget
 - Impacted Agency(ies)
 - Senate Secretary



Official Business

COMMITTEE:

HOUSE RESOURCES

DATE: APRIL 23, 1987

SIGN-IN

Subject of meeting:

HB 216 ✓ HB 259
 HB 34 ✓ HJR 27
 HB 82 ✓
 HB 110

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE	REPRESENTING	DO YOU WANT TO TESTIFY?	WHICH BILL?
LT. CONRAD SEIBEL	2700 Sherwood Lane Tombay 99801	767-2161	Alaska Dept. Public Safety	Yes	344 82
Laura Ostronsky	400 W. Harding	465-2400	DNR	Yes	HB 259
Carol Wilson	444 W. Harding	8420	ADFS	Yes	259
John Rosebery	204 N Franklin	586-230	Alaska Environmental Lobby	Yes	31 110
Amy Kyle	PO Box 0 JNU	5-2600	DEL	If questions arise	259 HJR 27
Kenneth...	UFD	Yes	...
Gail Gatten	JNU	6-2345	AEL	Yes/Maybe	HB 259 HJR 27
Bob Herman	PO Box 3-2000 Juneau	5-4190	ADFE	Yes	34-216 110-82

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* DELIVER TO: LTCCGTG *
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* ORIGINAL *
* SENT: 04/23/87 TIME: 08:31 *
* FROM: LTCCSOLDOTNA *
* SUBJECT: GAME FARMING, PARTICIPANTS #1 *
* PRINT DATE: 04/23/87 TIME: 08:31 *
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* * * PARTICIPANT LIST * * *

HB-216: GAME FARMING

MODERATOR: SHANNA

* * * UNDECIDED * * *

1. DONALD WOODARD

TO TESTIFY:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

TO OBSERVE:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

* DELIVER TO: LTCCGTG *
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* ORIGINAL *
* SENT: 04/23/87 TIME: 08:34 *
* FROM: LIOCMAT *
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MAT-SU HAS LINDA DELLINGER AND JUDI RIVARD TO TESTIFY ON HB 216
CHARLOTTE

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* SENT: 04/23/87 TIME: 09:03
* FROM: LIOCM6T
* SUBJECT: HRES - HB216
* PRINT DATE: 04/23/87 TIME: 09:03
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*** FINAL T/C STATS ***

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DATE: _____ 4/23/87 _____
SITE: _____ MAT-SU _____
SPONSOR: _____ HOUSE RESOURCES _____
SUBJECT: _____ HB216 - GAME BIRD FARM LICENSE _____
LOCAL
MODERATOR: _____ MARY _____

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TESTIFIED:
1. LINDA S. DELLINGER, AK GAME BIRD ASSN, P O BOX 33, SUTTON
   99674 745-2839
2. JUDITH A RIVARD, P O BOX 871842, WASSILLA 99687, 376-2140
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OBSERVED:

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TESTIFIED: _____ 2 _____ TIME START: _____
OBSERVED: _____ 0 _____ TIME ENDING: _____
TOTAL: _____ 2 _____

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 * FROM: LIOCKOD
 * SUBJECT: KODIAK FINAL STATS
 * PRINT DATE: 04/23/87 TIME: 09:03
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*** FINAL T/C STATS ***

DATE: APRIL 25, 1987
 SITE: KODIAK L.I.O.
 SPONSOR: HOUSE RESOURCES
 SUBJECT: HB 216 - GAME FARMING
 LOCAL MODERATOR: LORNA STEELMAN

TESTIFIED:

NAME/REPRESENTING	ADDRESS	PHONE
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1. LOUIS DRUMM,	SR BOX 9230 KODIAK 99615,	487-2293
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TESTIFIED: 1	TIME START: 8:30 AM
OBSERVED: 0	TIME END: 8:50 AM
TOTAL: 1	

*** FINAL STATS ***

DATE: 4/23/87
 SITE: SOLDOTNA
 SPONSOR: HOUSE RESOURCES
 SUBJECT: HB-216 GAME FARMING
 MODERATOR: SHANNA

TO TESTIFY:

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TO OBSERVE:

1. DONALD L. WOODARD P.O. BOX 521 SOLDOTNA 262-4370
 2. THOMAS H. MAHAN P.O. BOX 262 STERLING 262-9780

This is the one (to move)
we haven't got a
fiscal note on - the
Committee can do a
zero if you want
to move it today

ALASKA GAMEBIRD ASSOCIATION



House Resource Committee
Box V
Juneau, Alaska

April 18, 1987

Dear Representative *Herman*

We have been working on the issue of the Gamebird Farming License since June of 1985. It was at that time that Phil Koehl, a game biologist in the Commissioner's office at Juneau, made us aware of AS 16.05.330 & 340(14)a. which requires that a Game Farming License for a biennial fee \$200.00 must be purchased for the business of breeding, propagating, raising, or producing of gamebirds in captivity, for the purpose of marketing gamebirds or their products.

The business/and or hobby of propagating gamebirds has been popular in the U.S.A. since the turn of the century. I have seen a marked and steady increase of people raising gamebirds in Alaska, during the last 5 years, you would be surprised at the numbers!

A pair of Quail costs approximately \$10.00 on the Alaskan market. The License to breed them or propagate and raise up their chicks costs \$200.00 biennially, plus a Business License of \$25.00 a year. This statute, as written in 1957, is cost prohibative to the raising and propagating of upland gamebirds and waterfowl today.

Another point, on viewing the Gamebird Industry in Alaska is that, being isolated from the other states as we are, this business is completely state-efficient. Birds climatized to our state weather produce a stronger, well-feathered chick. The off-spring, either eggs or chicks, must be housed and fed properly. This perpetually stimulates the economy of Feed Stores, Hardware Suppliers, Building Suppliers where wire and lumber and additional materials are purchased.

House Bill 216 would change the amount of money people would have to pay for selling gamebirds in Alaska. We feel \$250.00 every two years is far to much for every gamebird breeder/and or hobbyist to pay. If House Bill 216 becomes law it shouldn't substantially reduce the gross receipts to the General Fund, nor should the costs of administering the license exceed the licensing revenue. The costs of administering the Game Licensing program are minimal and will remain that way. The only costs to the State is the time and material necessary to issue the license. Data needed for a Game Farming License required by statute are as follows: Name, Address, Phone, Physical Location, Applicant Description, Years of Residency, Birthdate, and Social Security Number.

Enclosed you will find a copy of the new Regulation and Aviculturists Permit cooperatively drafted by the Alaska Gamebird Assoc. and the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game. The Regulation and Permit was voted on and judiciously accepted by the Board of Game as of April 14, 1987. Both will be published by ADF&G in their

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new regulation booklet available later this year. You will note that both the Regulation and Permit allow the buying, selling, trading, importing and exporting of upland gamebirds and waterfowl.

However, after a legal interpretation of this Regulation and Permit by Mr. Ed Hein, Attorney-at-Law on the Legal Staff at Juneau, he stated that indeed a Game Farming License is still necessary for the business of breeding, selling or marketing these birds until the wording of the statute is changed.

Once again we urge you to support House Bill 216 and pass this Bill on to the House Finance Committee.

Sincerely,

Judith A. Rivard
Judith A. Rivard, Secretary

Johnnie M. Dellinger
Johnnie M. Dellinger, President

Linda S. Dellinger
Linda S. Dellinger, Treasurer

cc: Board of Directors, AGA
Representative Ron Larson

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5AAC92.XXX. AVICULTURIST'S PERMIT

- (1) A biennial Aviculturist's Permit is required to hold bird species defined in (4) below, in captivity.
- (2) A permit may be issued if the applicant meets the following criteria:
 - (a) the applicant can provide wing clipping, facilities to house, breed, and maintain, in clean and healthy condition, permitted birds. Such facilities shall include provisions for adequate food, water, shelter, sanitation, protection from injury, predation and prevention of overcrowding.
- (3) Permits are valid from the date issued through the 31st day of January of the second calendar year following the year of issue. An annual report must be made concerning birds held during the previous year. A permit may be rescinded if a report containing the following information has not been received by the department not later than January 31 of each year:
 - (a) live and in possession;
 - (b) mortalities, including probable cause;
 - (c) any sale, gift or trade, including name and address of recipient, and if sold, given or traded within Alaska, the Aviculturist's Permit number of the recipient.
- (4) The following captive bred, nonendangered birds may, under possession of such a permit be possessed, sold, or imported provided that a licensed veterinarian's certificate of health accompanies all such importation, or if exported, are done in compliance with appropriate regulations required by the recipient's state or country; no birds may be released into the wild.

WITHIN THE ORDER GALLIFORMES:

 - a) Family Megapodidae (Megapodes, 10 spp.)
 - b) Family Cracidae (Curassow family, 44 spp.)
 - c) Within the Family Phasianidae:

Any member of the genus *Alectoris* (Rock, Barbary, Red-Legged, etc. Partridge), except *Alectoris Chukar*, the Chukar partridge, for which no permit is required.

Any member of the genus *Francolinus* (Francolins)

Within the Family Tetraonidae, *Tetraourogallus* (Capercaillie).
- (5) A representative of the department may, at any reasonable hour, inspect the birds and/or facilities of a permit holder. If such inspection reveals the birds to be in poor condition as a result of the permittee's negligence, if facilities are deemed inadequate, or if for any other reason the permittee is found to be in violation of provisions set forth in this manual, the permit may be revoked.
- (6) A permittee may not kill any bird or prey in defense of the permittee's birds. A permittee may, with prior permission, be allowed to trap a bird of prey, in defense of the permittee's birds.

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5AAC92.029. PERMIT FOR POSSESSING LIVE GAME.

- (a) Except as otherwise permitted in this chapter, or in AS 16, no person may possess, import, release, export, or assist importing, releasing, or exporting, live game, unless the person holds a permit issued by the department.
- (b) The following species may be possessed, imported, exported, bought, sold, or traded without a permit from the department, but may not be released into the wild:

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>
Dog	Canis familiaris
Cat	Felis catus
etc.	same
etc.	same
Pigeon	Columbia livea Var.
Any Turkey species	Sub-family Meleagridinae (Gallopavo Var)
Any Pheasant species	Sub-family Phasianinae
Canary	serinus canaria Var.
Parrot, etc.	Any of various genera and species not prohibited by federal law
Toucan	Including Colinus, Coturnix, etc.
Any Quail species	Acridotheres spp.
Mynah	Pavo cristatus
Any Peafowl species	Alectoris alectoris chukar
Chukar Partridge	Family Turnicidae in the order Gruiformes
Button "quail"	Sub-family Numidinae
Guinea fowl	
Ducks, geese, swans and other migratory waterfowl which the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, determines do not require federal permit.	
Horse	Equus caballus
Guinea Pig	Cavia porcellus
etc.	same
etc.	same

Any duck, goose, swan or other migratory waterfowl, which the USF&W Service determines does not require a federal permit for private ownership. Any species of bird, mammal, reptile, etc. that is considered endangered may not be held in private ownership without a permit from the USF&W Service.

Member of the bird families	same
Any nonvenomous	same

- (c) same
- (d) same

TELECONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

SPONSOR _____

DATE/TIME _____

SUBJECT _____

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ANCHORAGE	PETERSBURG*
BARROW*	SITKA
BETHEL	SOLDOTNA Donald Woodard
DELTA JUNCTION*	VALDEZ*
DILLINGHAM*	LTC
FAIRBANKS	FT. YUKON
	GALENA
GLENNALLEN*	HOMER
	NAKNEK
JUNEAU	NEWHALEN
KETCHIKAN	SAINT PAUL
	SAND POINT
KODIAK Louis Drumm	TOGIAK
KOTZEBUE*	UNALASKA
MAT-SU Linda Bellinger testify Judy Rivard testify	WRANGELL
NOME*	

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