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March 18, 1993

Megan and Walter Pasternak
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Dear Megan and Walter:

Thank you for writing the Fisheries Committee about your concerns on HB 130, reducing the nonresident king salmon tag fee. The Committee actually used Representative Hudson's version of the bill - HB 140, and changed it somewhat. I've included a copy of that bill for your information.

HB 140 is scheduled to be heard in the House Resources Committee on Friday, March 26.

Again, thank you for your input on this issue.

Sincerely,

Carl E. Moses
Representative Carl Moses

March 8, 1993

REGARDING: House Bill 130, concerning reducing the fee for non-residents for chinook salmon stamps for sport fishing

This bill should not be passed for the following reasons:

- 1) One proponent of the bill said \$20 was too much to pay for a "fishing experience" in our state. Well, it is an experience and well worth the fee. If the charter boat operators lowered their fees or included the cost of the stamp it might not be so intimidating. If tourists and other non-residents really want the fishing experience, they will gladly pay the extra \$20.
- 2) The fee is not being reduced for residents. Alaskans are the ones footing the bill for raising the fish, yet we are still paying the \$20 with no complaint. I have gone out sport fishing several times for king salmon and have yet to catch one. Yet, almost every one of those who hire charter boats to take them out returns with at least one fish. I know of one charter skipper here in Sitka who even guarantees bagging at least one per person.
- 3) In the commercial licensing division, residents pay much lower fees for their licenses than do non-residents, which is as it should be.
- 4) When we visit other countries or states, we do not pay reduced fees for similar privileges.

Megan R Pasternak
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February 11, 1993

TO: Representative Carl Moses
Chairman
House Special Committee on Fisheries

FROM: Representative Bill Hudson *Bill*

RE: Request for Hearing- HB 140 "An Act relating to the
King Salmon tag fee."

House Bill 140 was recently introduced and referred to your committee. As the prime sponsor of this legislation, I respectfully request that this bill be scheduled for a hearing.

I introduced this bill to address concerns raised by individuals in our tourism/sport fish industry. In short, the current flat fee of \$20.00 (imposed on all nonresidents) is very likely to discourage sport fish participation among short-time tourists (those with a one to three day turnaround). A response of this nature is likely to have a very detrimental impact on our resident sport-guide businesses and local economies.

Fortunately, there is a very simple solution to this problem. By instituting a graduated fees schedule (one that better approximates actual demand on the resource) a nonresident could purchase a one-day tag for only \$5 or a three-day tag for \$15. On the opposite end of the schedule, a 14 day or annual tag fee would be increased to \$30.

I want too also note that this proposal was designed to be revenue neutral.

With much at stake for our local businesses, it is important that we address this issue this session. Your attention to this request is greatly appreciated.

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HB 140

Revision Date: _____ Department Affected: Fish and Game

Title: An Act relating to the king salmon tag fee. BRU: Sport Fish, Administration and Support

Component: Sport Fisheries, Administrative Services

Sponsor: Representative Hudson

Requestor: House Special Committee on Fisheries COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 464, 479

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:

(Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
PERSONAL SERVICES	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5
SUPPLIES						
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TOTAL OPERATING	10.9	10.9	10.9	10.9	10.9	10.9

CAPITAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE: 1024	11.7	11.7	11.8	11.8	11.8	11.8
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FUNDING:

(Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1006 GF/MHTIA						
Other: 1024 FISH AND GAME FUND	10.9	10.9	10.9	10.9	10.9	10.9
TOTAL	10.9	10.9	10.9	10.9	10.9	10.9

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year (FY93) impact: \$ None

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)
see attached

Prepared By: Rocky Holmes Phone: 465-6187

Division: Division of Sport Fish Date: 2/22/93

Approved by Commissioner: [Signature]

Agency: Department of Fish and Game Date: 2/22/93

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HB 140

Fiscal Note Analysis:

Expenditures included in this bill are for the additional cost of printing, distributing, and accounting for individually numbered nonresident king salmon tags. Tags will be individually numbered in order to prevent the possibility of illegal reuse of short term tags, and to facilitate accurate accounting of the number of tags sold by vendors. These costs include: \$1.4 in personal services for a non-permanent position (range 8) for 1 month to assist in mailouts of supplies and in data entry of stamps issued, sold, and returned (an estimated 120,000 tags will be sold in FY94); and 9.5 in contractual for the additional cost of printing individually numbered tags.

The enclosed table lists the assumptions used to estimate the effect of this bill on revenue. Part one of the table lists the predicted number of king salmon tags that will be sold by each class of nonresident license. Projected sales were estimated based on past increases in license sales, and it was assumed that 35% of all nonresident license holders would buy a king salmon tag. The second part of the table lists the projected king salmon tag revenue based on the current cost of a nonresident tag (\$20). The third part of the table lists the projected revenue based on the king salmon tag fees proposed in HB 140. The net effect of the bill on revenue to the Fish and Game fund would be to essentially zero.

PREDICTED SALES OF KING SALMON TAGS

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N-R. 14-DAY SF	22,966	23,063	23,147	23,211	23,270	23,320
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N-R. SF/HUNT	363	367	368	369	370	371
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STATUS QUO KING SALMON TAG REVENUES

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	KS TAG	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
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TOTAL \$1,248,177 \$1,253,585 \$1,258,010 \$1,261,496 \$1,264,715 \$1,267,396

REVISED KING SALMON TAG REVENUES (HB 140)

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	COST	-----					
N-R. ANNUAL SF	\$30	204,813	205,700	206,427	206,999	207,527	207,967
N-R. 14-DAY SF	\$30	688,979	691,964	694,406	696,331	698,107	699,587
N-R. 3-DAY SF	\$15	240,408	241,450	242,302	242,973	243,593	244,110
N-R. 1-DAY SF	\$5	69,930	70,233	70,481	70,676	70,857	71,007
N-R. SF/HUNT	\$30	10,962	11,009	11,048	11,079	11,107	11,131
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NET REVENUE \$11,659 \$11,709 \$11,750 \$11,783 \$11,813 \$11,838

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3/4/93

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 140 (FSH)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES

Offered:

Referred:

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES HUDSON, Phillips

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the anadromous king salmon tag; and providing for an
2 effective date."

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

4 * Section 1. INTENT. It is the intent of the legislature that the proceeds from the sale of
5 resident and nonresident anadromous king salmon tags be appropriated for king salmon sport
6 fishing research, management, and enhancement projects.

7 * Sec. 2. AS 16.05.340(a)(23) is amended to read:

8 (23) Resident anadromous king salmon tag 10

9 A resident may not engage in sport fishing for anadromous king salmon without
10 having a valid anadromous [THE CURRENT YEAR'S] king salmon tag in the
11 resident's actual possession, unless that person

12 (A) qualifies for a 25 cent license fee under (1) of this
13 subsection;

14 (B) is under the age of 16;

(C) is 60 years of age or older and has been a resident of the state for at least one year;

(D) is a disabled veteran eligible for a free license under AS 16.05.341; or

(E) qualifies for a \$5 license fee under (6) of this subsection.

* Sec. 3. AS 16.05.340(a)(24) is amended to read:

(24) Nonresident anadromous king salmon tag -- valid for the period inscribed on the tag

(A) for a one-day tag \$10

(B) for a three-day tag 15

(C) for a 14-day or annual tag 30 [\$20].

A nonresident may not engage in sport fishing for anadromous king salmon without having a valid anadromous [THE CURRENT YEAR'S] king salmon tag in the person's actual possession. However, members of the military service on active duty who are permanently stationed in the state, and their dependents, who do not qualify as residents under AS 16.05.940, may obtain an annual nonresident military anadromous king salmon tag for \$20.

* Sec. 4. AS 16.05.350 is amended to read:

Sec. 16.05.350. EXPIRATION OF LICENSES AND TAGS. Licenses and tags required under AS 16.05.330 - 16.05.430, except biennial licenses, the nonresident special sport fishing license, the resident trapping license, the one, three, or 14-day nonresident anadromous king salmon tag, and the waterfowl conservation tag, expire at the close of December 31 following issuance. Biennial licenses expire after December 31 of the year following the year of issuance. The resident trapping license expires at the close of September 30 of the year following the year in which the license is issued. The waterfowl conservation tag expires at the close of January 31 of the year following the year of issue of the tag.

* Sec. 5. This Act takes effect January 1, 1994.

AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE HOUSE

BY REPRESENTATIVE MOSES

TO: Draft CSHB 140(FSH)

Page 2, line 14, after "possession":

Insert ", unless that person is under the age of 16"

adopted.

HB	140-	king salmon tag
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Ulmer -

→ Olberg - Davidson - Nicholas.
 he left at 9 a.m.

Royce Weller -

Mike Miller - charter boat operator

opposed to \$20 King Salmon stamp all together.
 more pressure on charter boats.

1-3 day licenses to attract tourists

80% of my sales are 1-3 day licenses. Hurt my business.

9 licenses - radio station.

charter boat license

business license

transportation

people going to B.C. - 4 kings as limit.
 more economic to go to B.C.

Mike Dobson - charter boat operator -

70-80% non res. clientele.

\$20 fee - also to count king salmon. - state said they had extremely accurate count.

→ Cliff - need more info a

William Foster - Sitka -

concerned @ tag.

\$20 fee w/o

→ Ann Chadwick - Sitka Converter + Bureau side
org 20 fee is too high.

→ Merill Wolford - Homer -
Homer charter assoc.
- don't think tag should apply to kids

Tom Branschi - Ketchikan

Ketch marine charters

doesn't support tag fees

14 day - \$20

annual - \$50

Don McQueen - support if agreed

14 day - \$20

1 yr - \$50

shouldn't be required 16 & under.
should take immediate effect.

William Patterson - Ketch

support bill

4 day instead of 3 ^{at \$15}

14 day - \$20

1 yr - \$50

Donald Westland - favoring concept of Stamp
support 130 more than 140
on res order.

Dennis Ketchum - Ketchum
support 130 more than 140.

Lee P.



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POTENTIAL AMENDMENTS TO HB140- An Act relating to the King Salmon Tag Fee

These amendments were proposed by the Department of Fish & Game (see POSITION PAPER, dated 2/19/93):

1. adopt an effective date of January 1, 1994
2. Page 1, line 12 insert the word "anadromous" before king salmon.

3. add a new section to read:

Sec. 3. AS.16.05.340(a) (23) is amended to read

(23) Resident king salmon..... \$10

A resident may not engage in sport fishing for anadromous king salmon without having a valid [THE CURRENT YEAR'S] king salmon tag in the resident's actual possession, unless that person....

4. Page 1, line 12 add:

(D) nonresident military king salmon tag..... \$20

The Special Committee on Fisheries was also interested in the possibility of adopting a \$10 fee (HB140 proposes \$5) for the nonresident 1 day tag. The fiscal impact is an additional \$69.9 in FY94 (Fiscal Notes attached).



(F&G submitted)

Potential Amendments To HB 140

1. Effective date January 1, 1994
2. Page 1, line 12 insert the word "anadromous" before king salmon.
3. *Sec. 3. AS 16.05.340(a)(23) is amended to read:
 (23) Residnet king salmon \$10
A residnet may not engage in sport fishing for anadromous king salmon without having a valid [THE CURRENT YEAR'S] king salmon tag in the resident's actual possession, unless that person
 (A) qualifies for the 25 cent license fee under (1) of this subsection:
 (B) etc
3. Page 1, line 12 add:
 (D) nonresidnet military king salmon tag . . \$20



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SPONSOR STATEMENT

HB 140 "An Act relating to the king salmon tag fee."

This bill was introduced to address concerns raised by individuals in our tourism/sport fish industry. In short, the current flat fee of \$20.00 (imposed on all nonresidents) is very likely to discourage sport fish participation among short-time tourists (those with a one to three day turnaround). A response of this nature is likely to have a very detrimental impact on our resident sport-guide businesses and local economies.

Fortunately, there is a very simple solution to this problem-institute a graduated fees schedule. HB 140 would repeal the flat \$20.00 rate, while imposing a fee that increases (\$5, \$15 and \$30) with the validation period (one, three, 14 day or annual tag).

HB 140 was carefully designed to be revenue neutral.



SECTIONAL:

- Section 1. Declares that it is the intent that the proceeds from the King Salmon Tag be appropriated to support king salmon sport fishing research, management, and enhancement projects.
- Section 2. Repeals the flat rate of \$20; imposed on all nonresidents. Establishes a graduated rate schedule (\$5, 15 or 30).
- Section 3. Technical amendment. Expiration date of this tag, currently December 31, remains unchanged.

**DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
POSITION PAPER**

Bill No: HB 140
Sponsor: Representative Hudson
Division: Sport Fish
Bill Title: "An act relating to the king salmon tag fee."
Department Position: Support

The King Salmon Tag is an important new user-pay funding source for the Department of Fish and Game. HB 140 would modify the fee structure for nonresident king salmon tags as well as provide legislative intent that the revenues be dedicated to king salmon sport fishing research, management, and enhancement projects. The department supports the legislative intent.

The effect of HB 140 on total revenue from sales of the tag is essentially neutral. However, there could be a shift on the pattern of sales between short-term and longer-term licenses.

The department strongly recommends that a new king salmon fee structure not go into effect until January 1, 1994. The \$20 nonresident stamps have already been distributed to the vendors and are on sale now. In addition, we believe that by the time the bill becomes law, an RFP for printing the new nonresident stamps is completed, and the new stamps are distributed to vendors, most of the 1993 fishing season for king salmon will have occurred. We believe that the cost and confusion that will result because of a 1993 effective date are not justifiable.

The department would also like the bill to be modified to require that the king salmon stamp be purchased only by people fishing for anadromous king salmon. This will exempt people who fish for pan-size king salmon in landlocked stocked lakes. We recommend this change because the landlocked lakes king salmon stocking program usually occurs in urban areas and is intended to benefit children and lower income fishermen, and because small king salmon in landlocked systems are difficult to distinguish from other salmon species.

Commissioner's Signature



Date: 2/19/93

FISCAL NOTE

STATE OF ALASKA
1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HB 140

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EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:

(Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
PERSONAL SERVICES	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL	17.0	17.0	17.5	17.5	17.5	18.0
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	21.0	21.0	21.5	21.5	21.5	22.0

CAPITAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year (FY93) impact: \$ - 13.0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)
see attached

Prepared By: Rocky Holmes Phone: 465-6143Division: Division of Sport Fish Date: 2/18/93Approved by Commissioner: [Signature]Agency: Department of Fish and Game Date: 2/19/93

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Fiscal Note Analysis:

Expenditures included in this bill result from the fact that four different types of nonresident king salmon tags will be printed and issued, as opposed to the one currently printed, and the fact that issuing four different types of tags will necessitate that tags be individually numbered in order to prevent the possibility of illegal reuse of short term tags. These costs include: \$4.0 in personal services for a non-permanent position (range 8) for 2 months to assist in mailouts of supplies and in data entry of stamps issued, sold and returned (an estimated 120,000 tags will be sold in FY94); and \$17.0 (FY94) in contractual for the costs of postage (\$2.0) for mailouts and related correspondence with the state's 1200 license vendors, and for the cost of printing (\$15.0) the tags. Printing expenses are expected to be substantial not only because four different, individually numbered tags will be printed, but also because it will be necessary to print proportionately more stamps in order that vendors have on hand a cross-section of the different stamps that license buyers may ask for.

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DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
POSITION PAPER

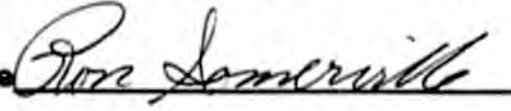
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Division: Sport Fish
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Department Position: Oppose

The King Salmon Tag is an important new user-pay funding source for the Department of Fish and Game. HB 130 would lower the fees for one, three, and 14-day nonresident king salmon tags. The department opposes this bill because it will result in an annual loss of approximately \$700.0 in funding to the department for king salmon sport fishing research, management, and enhancement.

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The department is supporting House Bill 140 which addresses the same issue as this bill, but which doesn't result in a reduction in revenue.

Commissioner's Signature  **Date:** 2/19/93



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TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL	15.0	15.0	15.5	15.5	15.5	16.0
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	19.0	19.0	19.5	19.5	19.5	20.0

CAPITAL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE: 1024	-679.9	-682.8	-685.2	-687.1	-688.9	-690.3
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FUNDING:

(Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1006 GF/MHTIA						
Other: 1024	11.0	11.0	11.5	11.5	11.5	12.0
TOTAL	11.0	11.0	11.5	11.5	11.5	12.0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of current year (FY93) impact: \$ - 486.9

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)
see attached

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Fiscal Note Analysis:

Expenditures included in this bill result from the fact that three different types of nonresident king salmon tags will be printed and issued, as opposed to the one currently printed, and the fact that issuing three different types of tags will necessitate that tags be individually numbered in order to prevent the possibility of illegal reuse of short term tags. These costs include: \$4.0 in personal services for a non-permanent position (range 8) for 2 months to assist in mailouts of supplies and in data entry of stamps issued, sold and returned (an estimated 120,000 tags will be sold in FY94); and \$15.0 (FY94) in contractual for the costs of postage (\$2.0) for mailouts and related correspondence with the state's 1200 license vendors, and for the cost of printing (\$13.0) the tags. Printing expenses are expected to be substantial not only because three different, individually numbered tags will be printed, but also because it will be necessary to print proportionately more stamps in order that vendors have on hand a cross-section of the different stamps that license buyers may ask for.

The enclosed table lists the assumptions used to estimate the effect of this bill on revenue. Part one of the table lists the predicted number of king salmon tags that will be sold by each class of nonresident license. Projected sales were estimated based on past increases in license sales, and it was assumed that 35% of all nonresident license holders would buy a king salmon tag. The second part of the table lists the projected king salmon tag revenue based on the current cost of a nonresident tag (\$20). The third part of the table lists the projected revenue based on the king salmon tag fees proposed in HB 140. The net effect of the bill will be to decrease revenue to the Fish and Game fund by an estimated -679.9 in FY94.

PREDICTED SALES OF KING SALMON TAGS

	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
N-R. ANNUAL SF	6,827	6,857	6,881	6,900	6,918	6,932
N-R. 14-DAY SF	22,966	23,065	23,147	23,211	23,270	23,320
N-R. 3-DAY SF	16,027	16,097	16,153	16,198	16,240	16,274
N-R. 1-DAY SF	13,986	14,047	14,096	14,135	14,171	14,201
N-R. SF/HUNT	365	367	368	369	370	371
N-R MILITARY SF	2,237	2,247	2,255	2,261	2,267	2,272

STATUS QUO KING SALMON TAG COSTS

		PREDICTED REVENUE					
	KS TAG	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
	COST	-----					
N-R. ANNUAL SF	\$20	136,542	137,134	137,618	137,999	138,351	138,644
N-R. 14-DAY SF	\$20	459,319	461,309	462,938	464,220	465,405	466,392
N-R. 3-DAY SF	\$20	320,544	321,933	323,069	323,965	324,791	325,480
N-R. 1-DAY SF	\$20	279,720	280,932	281,924	282,705	283,426	284,027
N-R. SF/HUNT	\$20	7,308	7,340	7,366	7,386	7,405	7,421
N-R MILITARY SF	\$20	44,744	44,938	45,096	45,221	45,337	45,433

TOTAL \$1,248,177 \$1,253,585 \$1,258,010 \$1,261,496 \$1,264,715 \$1,267,396

REVISED KING SALMON TAG REVENUES (BB 130)

		PREDICTED REVENUE					
	KS TAG	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
	COST	-----					
N-R. ANNUAL SF	\$20	136,542	137,134	137,618	137,999	138,351	138,644
N-R. 14-DAY SF	\$10	229,660	230,655	231,469	232,110	232,702	233,196
N-R. 3-DAY SF	\$5	80,136	80,483	80,767	80,991	81,198	81,370
N-R. 1-DAY SF	\$5	69,930	70,233	70,481	70,676	70,857	71,007
N-R. SF/HUNT	\$20	7,308	7,340	7,366	7,386	7,405	7,421
N-R MILITARY SF	\$20	44,744	44,938	45,096	45,221	45,337	45,433

TOTAL \$568,320 \$570,782 \$572,797 \$574,384 \$575,850 \$577,070

NET REVENUE (\$679,858) (\$682,803) (\$685,213) (\$687,112) (\$688,866) (\$690,326)