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Alaska State Legislature
REPRESENTATIVE BRYCE EDGMON
House District 37



Memorandum

Date: March 3, 2015
To: Representative Louise Stutes, Chair
House Special Committee on Fisheries
From: Representative Bryce Edgmon
RE: HB 128 Hearing Request—Alaska Wild Salmon Day

I respectfully request a hearing for HB 128—Alaska Wild Salmon Day—at your earliest convenience.

Please find the following materials in the HB 128 packet:

- HB 128
- Sponsor Statement

I would request that any hearing granted be teleconferenced to LIOs statewide. We are anticipating testimony from officials from the Alaska tourism industry and Alaska Airlines.

My staff contact for this legislation is Tim Clark, who can be reached at 465-2839.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Adak
Akutan
Aleknagik
Anvik
Atka
Attu Station
Chignik
Chignik Lagoon
Chignik Lake
Clark's Point
Cold Bay
Dillingham
Egegik
Ekwok
False Pass
Flat
Grayling
Holy Cross
Igiugig
Iliamna
Ivanof Bay
King Cove
King Salmon
Kokhanok
Koliganek
Lake Minchumina
Levelock
Lime Village
Manokotak
McGrath
Naknek
Nelson Lagoon
New Stuyahok
Newhalen
Nikolai
Nikolski
Nondalton
Pedro Bay
Perryville
Pilot Point
Pope-Vannoy
Port Alsworth
Port Heiden
Portage Creek
Red Devil
Sand Point
Shageluk
Sleetmute
South Naknek
St. George
St. Paul
Stony River
Takotna
Togiak
Twin Hills
Ugashik
Unalaska

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Sponsor

Statement

HB 128
Alaska Wild Salmon Day

SPONSOR'S INTENT

Alaskans prize wild salmon. No other of our fish plays such a prevalent role in our lives, and, arguably, no other is so nourishing and appetizing. According to a survey conducted during the summer of 2011, 96 percent of Alaskans feel that salmon is essential to their way of life.

Salmon subsistence fishing has sustained Alaska Native peoples for thousands of years. Recreational fishing for salmon is a lifelong pursuit for urban and rural residents alike. Commercial salmon fishing has been a mainstay industry in Alaska for well over a century.

Establishing August 10th as Alaska Wild Salmon Day will encourage celebrations of these Alaskan ways of life, pastimes, and professions. It will also provide opportunities to promote our wild salmon's deliciousness, purity, and healthfulness to visitors to the state from the Lower 48 and around the world.

Fiscal Note

State of Alaska
2015 Legislative Session

Bill Version: HB 128
Fiscal Note Number: _____
() Publish Date: _____

Identifier: HB128-DOA-DGS-03-06-15
Title: ALASKA WILD SALMON DAY
Sponsor: EDGMON
Requester: House Special Committee on Fisheries, Resources

Department: Department of Administration
Appropriation: General Services
Allocation: Facilities
OMB Component Number: 2429

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2016	Included in	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
	Appropriation Requested	Governor's FY2016 Request	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2016	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues							
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2015) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2016) cost: 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required)
(discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? No
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

Not applicable, initial version

Prepared By: <u>Tom Mayer, Director</u>	Phone: <u>(907)465-5677</u>
Division: <u>General Services</u>	Date: <u>03/06/2015 03:00 PM</u>
Approved By: <u>Sheldon Fisher, Commissioner</u>	Date: <u>03/06/15</u>
Agency: <u>Department of Administration</u>	

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

STATE OF ALASKA
2015 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL NO. HB 128

Analysis

This bill establishes August 10 of every year to celebrate Alaska Wild Salmon Day. The Department of Administration, Division of General Services does not anticipate any fiscal impact from the proposed legislation.



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March 11, 2015

The Honorable Bryce Edgmon
House of Representatives
Alaska State Capitol
Juneau, Alaska 99801

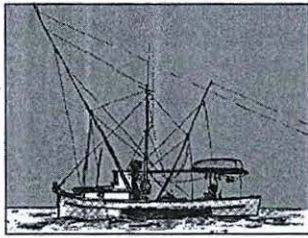
Dear Representative Edgmon:

Thank you for proposing to establish August 10th as Alaska Wild Salmon Day, we support House Bill 128. The importance of salmon to Alaskans cannot be overstated and the Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute looks forward to an annual opportunity to celebrate and promote such an iconic Alaska fish.

As seafood marketers we can use this special day as a hook for salmon promotions and events in Alaska and beyond to further our mission to increase the value of Alaska seafood which is beneficial to all Alaskans.

Best regards,

Tyson Fick
Communications Director
Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute



Alaska
Trollers
Association

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March 16, 2015

Representative Bryce Edgmon
State Capitol Room 410
Juneau AK, 99801

RE: SUPPORT HB 128 Alaska Wild Salmon Day

Dear Representative Edgmon:

Thank you for introducing HB 128 Alaska Wild Salmon Day – to be sure, this is a special occasion day that's long overdue in our great state!

What could be more natural (if not down-right wild) than for Alaska, the biggest salmon state-nation on the planet, to set aside one special day each year to honor the fabulous genus *Oncorhynchus*? Our member's resounding response is certain to be – 'not much'.

ATA represents Alaska's commercial troll fleet, one of the largest groups of salmon harvesters in the state. The troll fleet is 85% resident; about one of every 35 people in Southeast works on a trolling vessel and is supported by hundreds of other Alaskans working in the processing and support sectors. The success of our fleet and industry relies heavily on the health and welfare of salmon. In turn, residents throughout the state (even if they don't know it) benefit from the salmon revenue that flows through their communities in multiple ways and pays for a wide range of goods and services. This would simply not be possible if not for the humble - yet mightily impressive - salmon.

This is a Chinook and coho bill if ever we saw one – and who doesn't like kings, or silver? We urge you and your peers to vote HB 128 quickly through committee and straight on to the governor's desk. Mr. Walker will no doubt be pleased to honor in this way the great and storied salmon, which have fed and clothed generations of Alaskan's, while bringing significant joy, jobs, and revenue to each of our communities.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dale Kelley". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Dale Kelley
Executive Director