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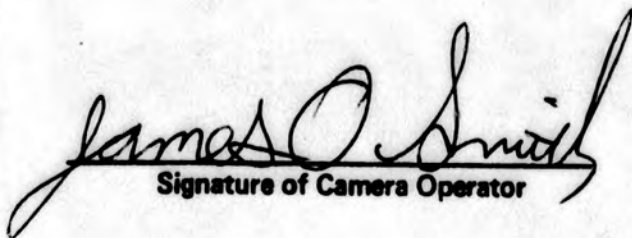
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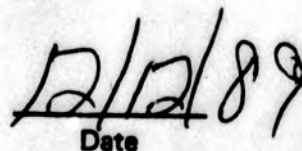


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IDENTIFICATION	"An Act relating to master and regional fisheries boards; and providing for an effective date."		AB 563
	SPONSOR(S)		DATE INTRODUCED 2/1/84
			RELATED BILLS PENDING
			REFERRALS RESOURCES FINANCE
INITIAL RESEARCH	INITIAL SUMMARY COMPLETED	LEGAL DIVISION SUMMARY	
	SPONSOR CONTACTED FOR BACKUP MATERIALS	DEPT OF LAW SUMMARY	
		FISCAL NOTE	
	AGENCY RESPONSE	OTHER INTERESTED LEGISLATORS NOTIFIED	
BACKGROUND RESEARCH	SIMILAR BILLS INTRODUCED IN PREVIOUS LEGISLATURES	OTHER STATE OR FEDERAL PRECEDENTS, REGULATIONS, ETC	
	RESPONSES FROM INTERESTED PERSONS AND/OR GROUPS		
HEARING PREPARATION	CHAIRMAN BRIEFED	DATE & PLACE SET	
	STAFF MEMO TO COMMITTEE	TELECONFERENCE	
	BACKGROUND MATERIAL DISTRIBUTED	PSA/PRESS RELEASE	
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COMMITTEE REPORT

HOUSE

RESOURCES

(7)

FURTHER: FINANCE

2/1/84

Date: _____

The Committee on HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE
ON FISHERIES has had HB 563

"An Act relating to master and regional fisheries boards; and providing for an effective date."

under consideration and recommends:

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

MEMBERS SIGNING
DO PASS

MEMBERS HAVING
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

CHAIRMAN

Introduced: 2/1/84
Referred: House Special Committee on
Fisheries, Resources and Finance

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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 563

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to master and regional fisheries
7 boards; and providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 16.05 is amended by adding new sections to read:

10 Sec. 16.05.222. REGIONAL BOARDS OF FISHERIES. There is estab-
11 lished within the Department of Fish and Game a regional board of
12 fisheries for each of the following general areas:

13 (1) Southeast Alaska: The Southeast Alaska mainland and
14 islands northward and westward from Dixon Entrance to Cape Suckling,
15 and the adjacent coastal water seaward to the limit of the state's
16 jurisdiction.

17 (2) Southcentral Alaska: The area drained by water flowing
18 into the Gulf of Alaska. Prince William Sound, Cook Inlet, and
19 Kamishak Bay from Cape Suckling westward to the Northern boundary of
20 Katmai National Monument on the Alaska Peninsula, and the adjacent
21 coastal water to the limit of the state's jurisdiction, and the area
22 lying south of the rim of the Alaska Range and Wrangell Mountains.

23 (3) Southwestern Alaska: Kodiak Island and adjacent
24 islands south of Kennedy Entrance; the Alaska Peninsula south and west
25 of the northern boundary of Katmai National Monument; Chirikof and
26 Shumagin Islands, and all other adjacent offshore islands; the
27 Aleutian Islands and the Pribilof Islands; land surrounding Iliamna
28 Lake and Lake Clark west of the Chignik Mountains and the Aleutian
29 Range; all land drained by water flowing into Bristol Bay; and the

1 adjacent islands and coastal waters seaward to the limit of the
2 state's jurisdiction.

3 (4) Northern Alaska: All land and water of Alaska not
4 included in the Southeast, Southcentral, and Southwest regions.

5 Sec. 16.05.223. MASTER BOARD OF FISHERIES. There is established
6 within the Department of Fish and Game the Master Board of Fisheries.

7 Sec. 16.05.224. MEMBERSHIP. (a) Each regional board consists
8 of five members appointed by the governor and confirmed by a majority
9 of the membership of the legislature meeting in joint session. Each
10 regional board member shall be well informed about the fish resources
11 of the region to which the member is appointed.

12 (b) The governor shall designate the chairmen of the regional
13 boards.

14 (c) The master board consists of the chairmen of the regional
15 boards and the commissioner of fish and game. The commissioner serves
16 as chairman of the master board.

17 (d) The advisory committees established under AS 16.05.260 and
18 other interested parties may submit lists of nominees for appointments
19 to regional boards.

20 Sec. 16.05.225. TERMS. (a) Members of regional boards serve
21 for four-year staggered terms among the initial appointments to each
22 regional board, two members shall serve for four years, two members
23 shall serve for three years, and one member shall serve for two years.

24 (b) A member of the master board serves on the master board for
25 the duration of the member's tenure as chairman of a regional board.

26 Sec. 16.05.226. VACANCIES. Vacancies on a regional board shall
27 be filled in the same manner as original appointments. A member
28 appointed to fill a vacancy serves for the remainder of the term.

29 * Sec. 2. AS 16.05.251 is amended to read:

1 **Sec. 16.03.231. REGULATIONS OF THE REGIONAL BOARDS OF FISHERIES**
2 **[BOARD OF FISHERIES]. (a) A regional board of fisheries [THE BOARD**
3 **OF FISHERIES] may adopt regulations it considers advisable for the**
4 **area within its jurisdiction in accordance with the Administrative**
5 **Procedure Act (AS 44.62) for**

6 (1) setting apart fish reserve areas, refuges and sanctu-
7 aries in the waters of the state over which it has jurisdiction,
8 subject to the approval of the legislature;

9 (2) establishing open and closed seasons and areas for the
10 taking of fish;

11 (3) setting quotas and bag limits on the taking of fish;

12 (4) establishing the means and methods employed in the
13 pursuit, capture and transport of fish;

14 (5) establishing marking and identification requirements
15 for means used in pursuit, capture and transport of fish;

16 (6) classifying as commercial fish, sport fish or predators
17 or other categories essential for regulatory purposes;

18 (7) engaging in biological research, watershed and habitat
19 improvement, fish management, protection, propagation and stocking;

20 (8) investigating and determining the extent and effect of
21 disease, predation, and competition among fish in the state, exercis-
22 ing control measures considered necessary to the resources of the
23 state;

24 ((9) ENTERING INTO COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH EDUCATIONAL
25 INSTITUTIONS AND STATE, FEDERAL, OR OTHER AGENCIES TO PROMOTE FISH
26 RESEARCH, MANAGEMENT, EDUCATION AND INFORMATION AND TO TRAIN PERSONS
27 FOR FISH MANAGEMENT;)

28 (9) ((10)) prohibiting and regulating the live capture,
29 possession, transport, or release of native or exotic fish or their

eggs;

(10) [(11)] establishing seasons, areas, quotas and methods of harvest for aquatic plants; and

(11) as provided under AS 16.10.173(d)

[(12) ESTABLISHING THE TIMES AND DATES DURING WHICH THE ISSUANCE OF FISHING LICENSES, PERMITS AND REGISTRATIONS AND THE TRANSFER OF PERMITS AND REGISTRATIONS BETWEEN REGISTRATION AREAS IS ALLOWED; HOWEVER, THIS PARAGRAPH DOES NOT APPLY TO PERMITS ISSUED OR TRANSFERRED UNDER AS 16.43].

(b) Each regional board of fisheries [THE BOARD OF FISHERIES] shall adopt regulations for the area within its jurisdiction in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62) permitting the taking of fish for subsistence uses unless the board determines, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, that adoption of the regulations will jeopardize or interfere with the maintenance of fish stocks on a sustained-yield basis. Whenever it is necessary to restrict the taking of fish to assure the maintenance of fish stocks on a sustained-yield basis, or to assure the continuation of subsistence uses of such resources, subsistence use shall be the priority use. If further restriction is necessary, the board shall establish restrictions and limitations on and priorities for these consumptive uses on the basis of the following criteria:

(1) customary and direct dependence upon the resource as the mainstay of one's livelihood;

(2) local residency; and

(3) availability of alternative resources.

(c) A regional board of fisheries shall, in consultation with the department, its local advisory committees and appropriate federal agencies, develop plans for the development, utilization and

1 management of the fish resources within its region; if the plans would
2 affect fish resources in more than one region, the regional boards
3 representing each region shall participate jointly in the development
4 of the plans.

5 (d) Two or more regional boards of fisheries may adopt joint and
6 uniform regulations relating to fish populations that migrate between
7 or among the regions represented by the regional boards.

8 * Sec. 3. AS 16.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:

9 Sec. 16.05.252. REGULATIONS OF THE MASTER BOARD OF FISHERIES.

10 (a) The Master Board of Fisheries may adopt regulations it consider
11 advisable in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act
12 (AS 44.62)

13 (1) establishing the times and dates during which the
14 issuance of fishing licenses, permits and registrations and the trans-
15 fer of permits and registrations between registration areas is al-
16 lowed; however, this paragraph does not apply to permits issued or
17 transferred under AS 16.43;

18 (2) for entering into cooperative agreements with educa-
19 tional institutions and state, federal, or other agencies to promote
20 fish research, management, education and information and to train
21 persons for fish management; and

22 (3) as provided under AS 16.10.125, 16.10.190, 16.10.-
23 440(b); AS 16.20.240; and AS 41.21.616.

24 (b) The Master Board of Fisheries may amend or veto regulations
25 adopted by a regional board if

26 (1) two or more regional boards are unable to agree on
27 uniform regulations relating to a fish population that migrates be-
28 tween or among regions represented by the regional boards, in which
29 case the master board may amend or veto regulations of any of the

1 regional boards involved in order to establish uniformity in the
2 regulations; or

3 (2) in the opinion of the master board, a regulation of a
4 regional board exceeds the authority of the regional board or is
5 otherwise not in accordance with AS 16.05.251.

6 (c) The Master Board of Fisheries shall provide written findings
7 of fact and a written statement of reasons for any action taken by the
8 master board under (b) of this section.

9 * Sec. 4. AS 16.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 16.05.322. LEGAL ASSISTANCE. The Department of Law shall
11 provide all legal services for the master board and the regional
12 boards, unless otherwise provided by law.

13 * Sec. 5. AS 16.05.070 is amended to read:

14 Sec. 16.05.070. REGULATIONS AS EVIDENCE. Regulations of the
15 regional boards of fisheries, the Master Board of Fisheries, the Board
16 of Game [AND GAME] and [OF] the commissioner, including emergency
17 openings and closures, are admissible as evidence in the courts of the
18 state in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62).

19 * Sec. 6. AS 16.05.080 is amended to read:

20 Sec. 16.05.080. LIMITATION OF POWER. Nothing in this chapter
21 authorizes the department or the master or regional boards of fisher-
22 ies, or the Board of Game [AND GAME] to change the amount of fees or
23 licenses.

24 * Sec. 7. AS 16.05.094 is amended to read:

25 Sec. 16.05.094. DUTIES OF SECTION OF SUBSISTENCE HUNTING AND
26 FISHING. The section of subsistence hunting and fishing shall

27 (1) compile existing data and conduct studies to gather
28 information, including data from subsistence users, on all aspects of
29 the role of subsistence hunting and fishing in the lives of the

1 residents of the state;

2 (2) quantify the amount, nutritional value, and extent of
3 dependence on food acquired through subsistence hunting and fishing;

4 (3) make information gathered available to the public,
5 appropriate agencies, and other organized bodies;

6 (4) assist the department, the master and regional boards
7 of fisheries [BOARD OF FISHERIES], and the Board of Game in determin-
8 ing what uses of fish and game, as well as which users and what
9 methods, should be termed subsistence uses, users, and methods;

10 (5) evaluate the impact of state and federal laws and
11 regulations on subsistence hunting and fishing and, when corrective
12 action is indicated, make recommendations to the department;

13 (6) make recommendations to the Board of Game and the
14 master and regional boards of fisheries [BOARD OF FISHERIES] regarding
15 adoption, amendment and repeal of regulations affecting subsistence
16 hunting and fishing;

17 (7) participate with other divisions in the preparation of
18 statewide and regional management plans so that these plans reorganize
19 and incorporate the needs of subsistence users of fish and game.

20 * Sec. 8. AS 16.05.253 is amended to read:

21 Sec. 16.05.253. OPERATION OF STATIONARY FISHING GEAR. (a) A
22 regional board of fisheries or the Master [THE] Board of Fisheries may
23 require a person who holds a limited entry permit or an interim-use
24 permit under AS 16.43 to be physically present at a beach or riparian
25 fishing site during the operation of net gear or other stationary
26 fishing gear at the site, except when the permit holder is at or
27 traveling to or from the location of

28 (1) a sale of fish caught in the gear; or

29 (2) other stationary gear of the permit holder.

1 (b) For purposes of this section, "fishing site" means fishing
2 site as defined by the Master Board of Fisheries or a regional board
3 of fisheries and includes any structure used for providing shelter in
4 support of the operation of the net gear or other stationary fishing
5 gear.

6 * Sec. 9. AS 16.05.260 is amended to read:

7 Sec. 16.05.260. ADVISORY COMMITTEES. The regional boards of
8 fisheries [THE BOARD OF FISHERIES] and the Board of Game may adopt
9 regulations they consider advisable in accordance with the
10 Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62) establishing, within the
11 region represented by a regional board or at places in the state
12 designated by the Board of Game [INDIVIDUAL BOARDS], advisory
13 committees to be composed of persons well informed on the fish or game
14 resources of the locality. The boards shall set the number and terms
15 of each of the members of the advisory committees, shall delegate one
16 member of each committee as chairman, and shall give the chairman
17 authority to hold public hearings on fish or game matters. Recom-
18 mendations from the advisory committees shall be forwarded to the
19 appropriate board for [THEIR] consideration but if a regional board of
20 fisheries [THE BOARD OF FISHERIES] or the Board of Game chooses not to
21 follow the recommendations of the local advisory committee the approp-
22 riate board shall inform the appropriate advisory committee of this
23 action and state the reasons for not following the recommendations.
24 The commissioner shall delegate authority to advisory committees for
25 emergency closures during established seasons. The commissioner is
26 empowered to set aside and make null and void only opening of seasons
27 set by the advisory committees under this section. The appropriate
28 board shall adopt the necessary regulations governing these closures.

29 * Sec. 10. AS 16.05.270 is amended to read:

1 **Sec. 16.05.270. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO COMMISSIONER.** For
2 the purpose of administering AS 16.05.251, 16.05.252, and 16.05.253,
3 each board may delegate authority to the commissioner to act in its
4 behalf. If there is a conflict between the board and the commissioner
5 on proposed regulations, public hearings shall be held concerning the
6 issues in question. If, after the public hearings, the board and the
7 commissioner continue to disagree, the issue shall be certified in
8 writing by the board and the commissioner to the governor who shall
9 make a decision. The decision of the governor is final.

10 * **Sec. 11.** AS 16.05.300 is repealed and reinserted to read:

11 **Sec. 16.05.300. BOARD MEETINGS.** (a) The Board of Game shall
12 hold at least one meeting a year and as many other meetings as it
13 considers necessary. The Board of Game shall select the time and
14 place in the state for the transaction of business. The Board of Game
15 shall maintain its office at the principal office of the department.

16 (b) The Master Board of Fisheries and each regional board of
17 fisheries shall hold at least two meetings each year and as many other
18 meetings as it considers necessary. Meetings may be called by the
19 chairman or by a majority of the members of the board.

20 (c) The Master Board of Fisheries, after consulting with the
21 regional boards, shall establish a meeting schedule to ensure maximum
22 coordination in the adoption of regional board regulations so that the
23 master board can make a full and timely review of all regional board
24 regulations under AS 16.05.252(b) before publication under AS 44.62.-
25 190.

26 * **Sec. 12.** AS 16.05.305 is amended to read:

27 **Sec. 16.05.305. CLERICAL ASSISTANCE FOR BOARDS.** The master
28 board and each regional board of fisheries, [BOARD OF FISHERIES] and
29 the Board of Game are authorized to hire and set the compensation for

1 one clerical assistant for each board.

2 * Sec. 13. AS 16.05.315 is amended to read:

3 Sec. 16.05.315. JOINT BOARD MEETINGS. The Master Board of
4 Fisheries and the Board of Game may hold a joint meeting upon the call
5 of the commissioner or a board to resolve any conflicts in regulations
6 of the boards and to consider matters, as determined by the
7 commissioner or a board, which require the consideration of both
8 boards.

9 * Sec. 14. AS 16.05.320 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 16.05.320. QUORUM. A majority of the members of a board
11 constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business, for the perfor-
12 mance of any duty, and for the exercise of any power. However, a
13 majority of the full board membership is required to carry all
14 motions, regulations and resolutions. A majority of the members of
15 the Master Board [BOARDS] of Fisheries [FISHERIES] and the Board of
16 Game [GAME] constitute a quorum for the transaction of business in a
17 joint board meeting. A majority of the membership of the boards is
18 required to carry all joint motions, regulations and resolutions of
19 the boards.

20 * Sec. 15. AS 16.05.475(b) is amended to read:

21 (b) The term "employ", as used in this section, shall be defined
22 by the Master Board of Fisheries through the adoption of regulations
23 under the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62). The definition may
24 include any activities involving the use or navigation of fishing
25 vessels.

26 * Sec. 16. AS 16.05.475(c) is amended to read:

27 (c) The term "registered under the laws of the state", as used
28 in this section, shall be defined by the Master Board of Fisheries
29 through the adoption of regulations under the Administrative Procedure

1 Act (AS 44.62). The definition may include any existing requirements
2 regarding registration, licenses, permits, and similar matters imposed
3 by law or regulation together with modifications of them and with any
4 additional requirements the board finds necessary to maximize the
5 authority of the state to apply and enforce fisheries regulations
6 under 16 U.S.C. secs. 1801 - 1882 (the Fishery Conservation and
7 Management Act of 1976) [(P.L. 94-265, 90 STAT. 331, 16 U.S.C. 1801
8 ET SEQ.)].

9 * Sec. 17. AS 16.05.632(d) is amended to read:

10 (d) For the purposes of this section

11 (1) "board" means the appropriate regional board of fisher-
12 ies [BOARD OF FISHERIES];

13 (2) "registration tags" means any tag, tape, or other
14 identification device or method determined to be appropriate by the
15 board.

16 * Sec. 18. AS 16.05.685(c) is amended to read:

17 (c) In this section,

18 (1) "process" means to butcher, cook, chill, or freeze crab
19 for commercial use;

20 (2) "registration area" means a specific king crab regis-
21 tration area as designated by regulation of the appropriate regional
22 board of fisheries [BOARD OF FISHERIES] and includes the Bering Sea
23 shellfish area and the western Aleutian Islands king crab area.

24 * Sec. 19. AS 16.05.785 is amended to read:

25 Sec. 16.05.785. FAILURE TO REMOVE MARKERS. If the Master Board
26 of Fisheries or a regional board of fisheries by regulation uses
27 Department of Fish and Game markers to establish waters closed to
28 commercial fishing and the state fails to remove the old markers when
29 new markers are posted to establish waters closed to commercial

1 fishing, commercial fishing is expressly permitted in the waters
2 between the new markers and the old markers until the old markers are
3 removed.

4 * Sec. 20. AS 16.05.820 is amended to read:

5 Sec. 16.05.820. RESEARCH BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. The Secre-
6 tary of the Interior, the Secretary of Commerce or the Secretary of
7 Agriculture of the United States and their authorized agents or other
8 appropriate federal agencies may conduct fish cultural operations and
9 scientific investigations in the state in the manner and at the times
10 jointly considered necessary or proper by the Master Board of Fisher-
11 ies and the secretary and their authorized agents.

12 * Sec. 21. AS 16.05.940(3) is amended to read:

13 (3) "a board" means [EITHER] the Master Board of Fisheries,
14 a regional board of fisheries, or the Board of Game;

15 * Sec. 22. AS 16.05.940(21) is amended to read:

16 (21) "sport fishing" means the taking of or attempting to
17 take for personal use, and not for sale or barter, any fresh water,
18 marine, or anadromous fish by hook and line held in the hand, or by
19 hook and line with the line attached to a pole or rod which is held in
20 the hand or closely attended, or by other means defined by the region-
21 al boards of fisheries [BOARD OF FISHERIES];

22 * Sec. 23. AS 16.05.940(22) is amended to read:

23 (22) "subsistence fishing" means the taking, fishing for, or
24 possession of fish, shellfish, or other fisheries resources for sub-
25 sistence uses with gill net, seine, fish wheel, long line, or other
26 means defined by the regional boards of fisheries [BOARD OF
27 FISHERIES];

28 * Sec. 24. AS 16.05.940 is amended by adding new paragraphs to read:

29 (29) "master board" means the Master Board of Fisheries;

(30) "regional board" means a regional board of fisheries.

* Sec. 25. AS 16.10.125 is amended to read:

Sec. 16.10.125. USE OF TERMINATION DEVICE ON SHELLFISH AND BOTTOM FISH POT REQUIRED. The Master Board of Fisheries shall, by regulation, prescribe a termination device or devices for all shellfish and bottom fish pots. In this section "termination device" means a biodegradable seam or panel or other device which renders the pot incapable of holding shellfish or bottom fish for more than six months when it is continuously immersed in sea water.

* Sec. 26. AS 16.10.173(d) is amended to read:

(d) Each regional board of fisheries [THE BOARD OF FISHERIES] may adopt regulations under the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62) it considers necessary for implementation of this section. A [THE] board may delegate its authority under this section to the commissioner.

* Sec. 27. AS 16.10.190 is amended to read:

Sec. 16.10.190. REGULATIONS. The Master Board of Fisheries may adopt regulations to carry out the purposes of AS 16.10.180 - 16.10.-230 defining the adjacent high sea areas, migratory fish and migratory shellfish and to make coastal fishery regulations governing the manner, means, conditions and time for the taking of migratory fish and migratory shellfish applicable in designated adjacent high sea areas.

* Sec. 28. AS 16.10.200 is amended to read:

Sec. 16.10.200. UNLAWFUL TAKING PROHIBITED. A person taking migratory fish and migratory shellfish in high sea areas designated by the Master Board of Fisheries or in violation of the regulations adopted by the Master Board of Fisheries governing the taking of migratory fish and migratory shellfish in the designated areas may not

1 possess, sell, offer to sell, barter, offer to barter, give or trans-
2 port in the state, including the waters of the state, migratory fish
3 or migratory shellfish.

4 * Sec. 29. AS 16.10.210 is amended to read:

5 Sec. 16.10.210. UNLAWFUL SALE OR OFFER PROHIBITED. A person may
6 not possess, purchase, offer to purchase, sell, or offer to sell in
7 the state migratory fish or migratory shellfish taken on the high seas
8 knowing that they were taken in violation of a regulation adopted by
9 the Master Board of Fisheries governing the taking of migratory fish
10 or migratory shellfish in certain areas designated by the Master Board
11 of Fisheries or the commissioner.

12 * Sec. 30. AS 16.10.440(b) is amended to read:

13 (b) The Master Board of Fisheries may, after the issuance of a
14 permit by the commissioner, amend by regulation adopted in accordance
15 with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), the terms of the
16 permit relating to the source and number of salmon eggs, the harvest
17 of fish by hatchery operators, and the specific locations designated
18 by the department for harvest. The Master Board of Fisheries may not
19 adopt any regulations or take any action regarding the issuance or
20 denial of any permits required in AS 16.10.400 - 16.10.470.

21 * Sec. 31. AS 16.20.240 is amended to read:

22 Sec. 16.20.240. REGULATIONS. The Master Board of Fisheries and
23 the Board of Game, where appropriate, may [SHALL] adopt regulations
24 they consider advisable for conservation and protection purposes
25 governing the taking of fish and game in state fish and game critical
26 habitat areas.

27 * Sec. 32. AS 16.43.200(a) is amended to read:

28 (a) The commission shall establish administrative areas suitable
29 for regulating and controlling entry into the commercial fisheries.

1 The commission shall make the administrative areas reasonably competi-
2 ble with the geographic areas for which specific commercial fishing
3 regulations are adopted by the Master Board of Fisheries and the
4 regional board of fisheries.

5 * Sec. 33. AS 16.43.381 is amended to read:

6 (a) Use privileges granted under AS 16.43.340 - 16.43.390 are
7 subject to the regulations of the master and regional boards of fish-
8 eries [BOARD OF FISHERIES] which may adopt regulations exclusively
9 applicable to the use of educational entry permits.

10 * Sec. 34. AS 16.43.430 is amended to read:

11 Sec. 16.43.430. AUTHORIZED GEAR. For the purposes of harvesting
12 salmon, a special harvest area entry permit holder may employ any
13 fishing gear designated as legal gear in the applicable special har-
14 vest area by the Master Board of Fisheries or a regional board of
15 fisheries.

16 * Sec. 35. AS 16.43.440(a) is amended to read:

17 (a) Use privileges granted under AS 16.43.400 - 16.43.440 are
18 subject to the regulations of the Master Board of Fisheries and the
19 regional boards of fisheries.

20 * Sec. 36. AS 16.43.950 is amended to read:

21 Sec. 16.43.950. APPLICATIONS OF REGULATIONS OF BOARDS [BOARD] OF
22 FISHERIES. Nothing in this chapter limits the powers of the master or
23 regional boards of fisheries [BOARD OF FISHERIES], including the power
24 to determine legal types of gear and the power to establish size
25 limitat.ons or other uniform restrictions applying to a certain type
26 of gear. Holders of interim-use permits or entry permits issued under
27 this chapter are subject to all regulations adopted by the master
28 board or by the regional boards [BOARD OF FISHERIES].

29 * Sec. 37. AS 16.43.990(8) is amended to read:

(8) "type of gear" means a customary and identifiable classification of gear and shall include:

(A) those classifications for which separate regulations are adopted by the Master Board of Fisheries or a regional board of fisheries and for which separate gear licenses are required by AS 16.05.550 - 16.05.630; and

(B) distinct subclassifications of gear such as "power" troll gear and "hand" troll gear;

* Sec. 38. AS 16.43.990(9) is amended to read:

(9) "unit of gear" means the maximum amount of a specific type of gear which can be fished under a single gear license subject to regulations established by the Master Board of Fisheries or a regional board of fisheries defining the legal requirements for that type of gear.

* Sec. 39. AS 39.05.060(a) is amended to read:

(a) Each member of the following shall be a citizen of the United States:

(1) Local Boundary Commission;

(2) Alcoholic Beverage Control Board;

(3) Employment Security Advisory Council;

(4) Alaska State Housing Authority;

(5) master and regional boards of fisheries (BOARD OF FISHERIES);

(6) Board of Tourism;

[(7) Repealed;

(8) Repealed;]

(7) [(9)] the Governor's Commission on the Involvement of Young People in Government;

(8) [(10)] Board of Game.

1 * Sec. 40. AS 39.50.200(b)(40) is amended to read:

2 (40) The Master Board of Fisheries (AS 16.05.223) or a
3 regional board of fisheries (AS 16.05.222) ((AS 16.05.221(a)));

4 * Sec. 41. AS 41.21.302(d) is amended to read:

5 (d) The commissioner of natural resources may not restrict the
6 exercise of fishing, hunting, or trapping rights permitted under law
7 or under a regulation of the Master Board of Fisheries, a regional
8 board of fisheries, or the Board of Game within a marine park unit of
9 the Alaska state park system.

10 * Sec. 42. AS 41.21.616 is amended to read:

11 Sec. 41.21.616. REGULATIONS. The department shall consult with
12 the Department of Fish and Game, the United States Fish and Wildlife
13 Service, a local governing body of a municipality, any local fish and
14 game advisory committees, and the Alaska Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve
15 Advisory Council established by AS 41.21.625 before adoption of rea-
16 sonable regulations governing public use and protection of the Alaska
17 Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve. The Department of Fish and Game shall
18 consult with the department and the Alaska Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve
19 Advisory Council in proposing regulations governing fish and game
20 management in the Alaska Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve for adoption by
21 the Master Board of Fisheries or the Board of Game. The Department of
22 Fish and Game and the department shall cooperate with the United
23 States Fish and Wildlife Service in its administration of federal law
24 governing the conservation of bald eagles.

25 * Sec. 43. AS 41.99.010 is amended to read:

26 Sec. 41.99.010. GAME MANAGEMENT AND ENFORCEMENT. Nothing in
27 this title denies the Department of Fish and Game or the Board of
28 [FISH AND] Game or the master and regional boards of fisheries their
29 management and enforcement responsibilities related to the fish and

game of this state.

* Sec. 44. AS 44.39.030 is amended to read:

Sec. 44.39.030. APPOINTMENT AND TERM OF OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER.

The governor shall appoint the commissioner of fish and game from a list of qualified persons nominated by the Master Board of Fisheries and the Board of Game meeting in joint session, subject to the right of the governor to request additional nominations. The appointment shall be confirmed by a majority of the members of the legislature in joint session. The commissioner of fish and game serves for a term of five years.

* Sec. 45. AS 44.39.050 is amended to read:

Sec. 44.39.050. REMOVAL OF COMMISSIONER. The Master Board of Fisheries or the Board of Game may submit a resolution to the governor requesting the removal of the commissioner. The resolution shall set out the grounds for the request and the governor shall give the commissioner and both boards an opportunity to be heard. The final decision to remove or retain the commissioner shall be made by the governor.

* Sec. 46. AS 44.62.330(40) is amended to read:

(40) master and regional boards of fisheries [BOARD OF FISHERIES]

* Sec. 47. The governor shall make initial appointments to the regional boards established in AS 16.05.222 and shall designate the chairmen of the regional boards within 90 days after the effective date of this Act.

* Sec. 48. The Master Board of Fisheries shall adopt regulations in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62) establishing specific boundaries for the areas described in AS 16.05.222 within six months after the completion of initial appointments to the regional boards in accordance with sec. 47 of this Act.

1 * Sec. 49. Regulations of the Board of Fisheries in effect on the
2 effective date of this Act remain in effect until amendment or repeal by a
3 regional board of fisheries established in AS 16.05.222 or by the Master
4 Board of Fisheries established in AS 16.05.223.

5 * Sec. 50. AS 16.05.221(a) is repealed.

6 * Sec. 51. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.-
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

....13th Legislature SECOND.... Session

HOUSE BILL..... NO. 563..

By WENDTE.....

"An Act relating to the master and regional fisheries boards; and providing for and effective date."

Master and Regional Fisheries Board

Introduced in the House 2/1, 19... 84

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STATE OF ALASKA 1984 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
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REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 563
Title: ...master and regional fisheries boards...
Sponsor: Wendte
Requestor: House Fisheries Committee
Date of Request: _____

FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected: Fish and Game
Program Category Affected: NRMEU
BRU, Program or Subprogram(s) Affected: Boards of Fisheries and Game

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY 84	FY 85	FY 86	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89
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CAPITAL						
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POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME		9	9	9	9	9
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SOURCE OF FUNDS TO OFFSET FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL:

Not specified by sponsor of bill.

ANALYSIS: Attach a separate page for analysis

Prepared By: Beverly Beare Phone: 465-4210
Division: Administration Date: 3/7/84
Approved by Commissioner: Chris Bell Date: 3-12-84
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Fiscal Impact Statement for Implementing
House Bill No. 563: Master and Regional Boards

Regional Boards

Assume:

- 4 Regional Boards
- 5 members per Board
- 2 meetings per Board per year, 10 days each
- travel at \$250 per ticket, average
- per diem at the rate of \$150 per day
- 1 joint meeting of all 4 Boards, 5 days

Calculation:

- travel: 5 members x 2 meetings x \$250 x 4 = \$10,000
- travel: 20 members x \$250 x 1 Jt. mtg. = 5,000
- per diem: 5 members x 20 days x \$150 x 4 = 60,000
- per diem: 20 members x \$150 x 5 days = 15,000

90,000

Master Board

Assume:

- 1 Master Board
- 5 members
- 2 joint meetings with the Board of Game, 4 days
- 2 meetings per year, 10 days each
- travel at \$350 per ticket, average
- per diem for 4 members at \$150 per day
- per diem for 1 member at \$80 per day

Calculation:

- travel: 5 members x 2 Joint Board meetings x \$350 = \$ 3,500
- travel: 5 members x 2 meetings x \$350 = 3,500
- per diem: 4 members x 2 Joint Board meetings x \$150 x 4 days = 4,800
- per diem: 1 member x 2 Joint Board meetings x \$80 x 4 days = 640
- per diem: 4 members x 20 days x \$150 = 12,000
- per diem: 1 member x 20 days x \$80 = 1,600

26,040

Board Staff

Assume:

- additional Regulations Coordinator II, Range 19A, Region 1
- additional Regional Assistant Executive Directors, Range 16A, Region 1, 2, 3, and 4
- additional full-time Clerk Typist III's, Range 8A, Region 1, 2, 3, and 4

Calculation:

- Salary and Benefits of Regulations Coordinator II, Region 1	= \$46,500
- Salary and Benefits of Reg. Asst. Exec. Dir's., Region 1 and 2	= 75,300
- Salary and Benefits of Reg. Asst. Exec. Dir., Region 3	= 40,400
- Salary and Benefits of Reg. Asst. Exec. Dir., Region 4	= 43,400
- Salary and Benefits of Clerk Typist III's, Region 1 and 2	= 45,500
- Salary and Benefits of Clerk Typist III, Region 3	= 24,100
- Salary and Benefits of Clerk Typist III, Region 4	= <u>25,600</u>

300,800

Commodity Expenditures

Assume and Calculation:

- \$100,000 for printing, advertising, supply and telephone costs	= \$100,000	<u>100,00</u>
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Total \$516,84

Currently the Board of Fisheries spends \$60,000 a year in travel and \$9,000 in commodity expenditures. These expenses = \$ 69,00

TOTAL ADDITIONAL FUNDS NEEDED \$447,80

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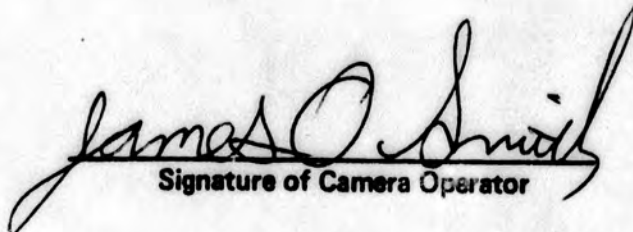
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IDENTIFICATION	BILL NAME <i>"An act relating to the leasing of limited entry permits"</i>		BILL NUMBER <i>HB 638</i>
			DATE INTRODUCED <i>2/13/81</i>
			RELATED BILLS PENDING
	SPONSOR(S) <i>HONORABLE REPRESENTATIVE HERRMANN</i>		REFERRALS <i>Resources</i>
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COMMITTEE REPORT

HOUSE

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FURTHER: RESOURCES

2/13/84

Date: _____

The Committee on HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE
ON FISHERIES has had HB 638

"An Act relating to the leasing of limited entry permits."

under consideration and recommends:

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

MEMBERS SIGNING
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OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

CHAIRMAN

Introduced: 2/13/84
Referred: House Special Committee
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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY HERRMANN

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 638

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the leasing of limited entry
7 permits."

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

9 * Section 1. FINDINGS. The legislature finds that

10 (1) ownership of limited entry permits by Alaska residents has
11 been decreasing at an alarming rate because the highest prices are fre-
12 quently offered by nonresidents, contrary to the best interests of the
13 state;

14 (2) the high cost of buying a limited entry permit prevents
15 young Alaskans with low incomes from entering commercial fisheries as gear
16 operators;

17 (3) state loan programs established to assist Alaska residents
18 in acquiring limited entry permits have failed to prevent the transfer of a
19 large number of permits to nonresidents;

20 (4) allowing resident permit holders who are 60 years of age or
21 older to lease their permits to younger family members will enable many
22 young Alaskans with low incomes to participate in commercial fishing as
23 gear operators, thus giving them the opportunity to acquire the skills
24 needed to qualify for, and the capital needed to afford, the purchase of a
25 limited entry permit.

26 * Sec. 2. AS 16.43.150(g) is amended to read:

27 (g) Except as provided in AS 16.10.333 - 16.10.337, AS 16.43.-
28 180, and in AS 44.81.230 - 44.81.250, an entry permit may not be:

29 (1) pledged, mortgaged, leased, or encumbered in any way;

1 (2) transferred with any retained right of repossession, or
2 foreclosure; or

3 (3) attached, distrained, or sold on execution of judgment
4 or under any other process or order of any court.

5 * Sec. 3. AS 16.43.180 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

6 (c) The commission shall adopt regulations allowing a resident
7 entry permit holder who is 60 years of age or older to transfer the
8 permit by lease to a child or grandchild of the permit holder or to a
9 spouse of the child or grandchild.

10 (d) The commission may develop temporary projects for selected
11 fisheries to experiment with allowing entry permit holders other than
12 those 60 years of age or older to transfer permits by lease to other
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

13th Legislature SECOND Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 638
By HERRMANN"An Act relating to the leasing
of limited entry permits."

Lease of limited entry permits

Introduced in the House 2/13/84, 1984

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STATE OF ALASKA 1984 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
FISCAL NOTE

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REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 638
Title: Leasing of limited entry permits.
Sponsor: Rep. Herrmann
Requestor: HS Comm. on Fisheries & Resources
Date of Request: _____

FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected: Commerce & Economic Development
Program Category Affected: Development
BRU, Program or Subprogram(s) Affected: Investments

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

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ANALYSIS: Attach a separate page for analysis

Prepared By: Paul B. Arnoldt, Director
Division: Investments and Veterans' Affairs

Phone: 465-2510

Date: 2/28/84

Approved by Commissioner: Richard A. Lyon
Agency: Commerce and Economic Development

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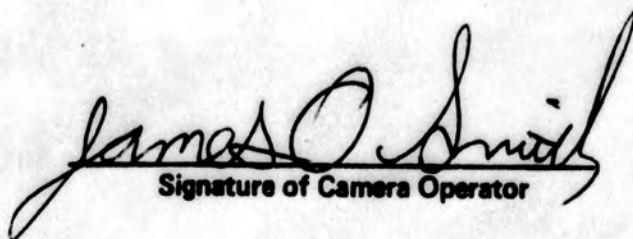
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"An Act changing the composition
of the Board of Fisheries"

HB 645

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FURTHER: FINANCE

2/13/84

Date: March 21, 1984

The Committee on HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE
ON FISHERIES has had HB 645

"An Act changing the composition of the Board of Fisheries."

under consideration and recommends:

- ☐ do pass ☐ do not pass
- ☐ do pass with attached amendments(s)
- ☐ replace with CS for _____ ☐ same title
☐ new title
- and recommends _____
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MEMBERS SIGNING
DO PASS

Robert H. ...

MEMBERS HAVING
OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Robert H. ...
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CHAIRMAN

Introduced: 2/13/84
Referred: House Special Committee on
Fisheries, Resources and Finance

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY WENDTLE AND M.M.MILLER

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 645

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act changing the composition of the Board of
7 Fisheries."

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

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11 fishery resources of the state, there is created the Board of Fisher-
12 ies composed of nine [SEVEN] members appointed by the governor, sub-
13 ject to confirmation by a majority of the members of the legislature
14 in joint session. The appointed members shall be residents of the
15 state and shall be appointed without regard to political affiliation
16 or geographical location of residence. The commissioner is not a
17 member of the Board of Fisheries, but shall be ex officio secretary.
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STATE OF ALASKA 1984 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date: _____

REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 645
Title: ...changing composition of
the Board of Fisheries.

Sponsor: Wendte and M.M. Miller
Requestor: House Fisheries Committee
Date of Request: _____

FISCAL DETAIL

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Program Category Affected: NRMEC

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ANALYSIS: Attach a separate page for analysis

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Division: Administration Date: 3/7/84
Approved by Commissioner: Onu Belenworth Date: 3-12-84
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Fiscal Impact Statement for Implementing
House Bill No. 645: Changing Composition of Board

Board of Fisheries

Assume:

- 2 additional Board members
- 2 meetings per year, 23 days each
- travel at \$400 per ticket, average
- per diem at the rate of \$150 per day

Calculation:

- travel: 2 members x 2 meetings x \$400 = \$ 1,600
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TOTAL

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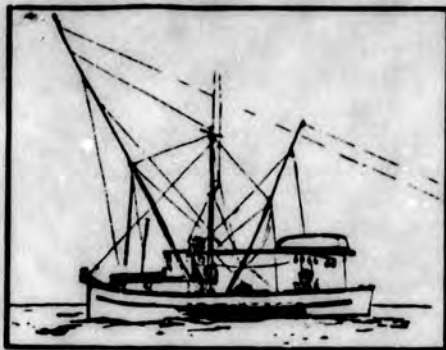
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March 15, 1984

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Sincerely,

Earl E. Krygier
Acting Executive Director

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03.15.84

MY NAME IS RON GOESSEL. I LIVE IN NORTH POLE. I WISH TO OFFER SOME COMMENTS ON PROPOSED LEGISLATION BEFORE YOU AT THIS TIME.

HB645: I SUPPORT THIS BILL. IT WOULD ALLOW FOR A WIDER VARIANCE IN USER-GROUP REPRESENTATION ON THE FISHERIES BOARD. HOWEVER, ANY AMENDMENTS ALLUDING TO GEOGRAPHICAL AND/OR USER-GROUP ALLOCATIONS ATTACHED TO THIS INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP WOULD BE SELF-DEFEATING IN THE BOARD'S PROCES

HB658: I OPPOSE THIS BILL. WHEREAS THIS CONCEPT MAY IN FACT ACCOMPLISH ONE OF THE GOALS OF THE BOARDS — TO REDUCE THE LENGTH OF MEETINGS — IT IS THE WRONG APPROACH TO COMPLETELY ELIMINATE THE DIRECT CONTACT THAT ALASKANS HAVE WITH THE BOARD OF FISHERIES WOULD BE THE FIRST STEP TOWARDS ESTABLISHMENT OF A PROFESSIONAL BOARD — ONE ADMINISTERED BY STATE DEPARTMENT HEADS AND TOTALLY DEVOID OF THE GRASS-ROOTS INVOLVEMENT WE NOW ENJOY.

HB 563: I OPPOSE THIS BILL. IT'S OBVIOUS THAT THE ALTHOR OF THIS BILL IS NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE COMPLEXITIES ALREADY INVOLVED IN THE WORKINGS OF THE

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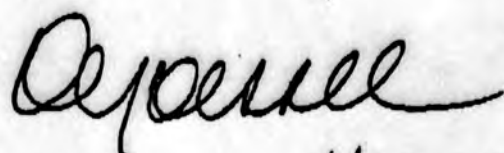
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HB526: I OPPOSE THIS BILL.

IT IS REDUNDANT. THE FISHERIES BOARD IS CURRENTLY OPERATED IN VIRTUALLY THIS SAME MANNER. ANY ATTEMPTS BY THIS BILL TO SUBVERT EXISTING STATE AND FEDERAL MANDATES CONCERNING SUBSISTENCE MUST BE THOROUGHLY RECOGNIZED.

THANK YOU,

Ron Goessel
P.O. Box 1897
FAIRBANKS, 99707

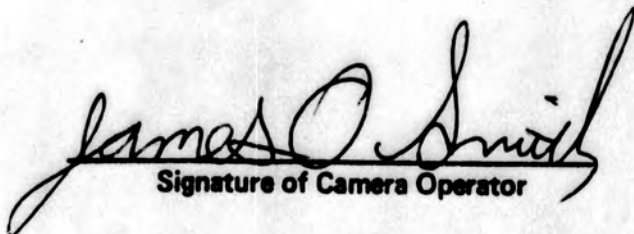

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HB 658

IDENTIFICATION	"An act relating to proposals for fisheries regulations"		DATE INTRODUCED 2/13/84
	SPONSOR(S) Rep. McBride		RELATED BILLS PENDING
			REFERRALS Resources
INITIAL RESEARCH	INITIAL SUMMARY COMPLETED	LEGAL DIVISION SUMMARY	
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HEARING PREPARATION	CHAIRMAN BRIEFED	DATE & PLACE SET	
	STAFF MEMO TO COMMITTEE	TELECONFERENCE	
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Introduced: 2/13/84
Referred: House Special Committee
on Fisheries and Resources

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MCERIDE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 658

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to proposals for fisheries regula-
7 tions."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 16.05.251 is amended by adding a new subsections to
10 read:

11 (c) A proposal by an employee of the department for the adop-
12 tion, repeal, or amendment of a Board of Fisheries regulation may be
13 submitted to the board; however, a copy of the proposal shall be sent
14 in a timely manner to the regional fish and game council for each
15 management region that may be affected by the proposal. All other
16 proposals for the adoption, repeal, or amendment of a Board of Fish-
17 eries regulation shall be submitted to the appropriate local fish and
18 game advisory committees in each management region that may be
19 affected by the proposal. Each advisory committee shall review the
20 proposal and, not later than 30 days after receiving the proposal,
21 shall forward it along with the committee's recommendations to the
22 appropriate regional fish and game council. A regional council shall
23 consider the recommendations of all interested advisory committees and
24 shall either approve the proposal and forward it with the council's
25 recommendations to the Board of Fisheries for consideration at the
26 next board meeting or shall reject the proposal and, within a reason-
27 able time thereafter, provide written notice of the reasons for the
28 rejection to the person who submitted the proposal. The Board of
29 Fisheries may not consider a proposal submitted directly to it by a

HB 658

1 person who is not an employee of the department.

2 (d) For purposes of (c) of this section, "regional fish and game
3 councils", "local fish and game advisory committees", and "management
4 regions" mean the fish and game councils, committees, and management
5 regions established by regulation under authority of AS 16.05.260.
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ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

13th Legislature SECOND Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 558

By MCBRIDE

"An Act relating to proposals for fisheries regulations."

Fisheries Regulations

Introduced in the House 2/13, 1984

HISTORY IN THE HOUSE

19 84

Feb. 13

Read first time and referred to Committee on

House Special Committee on Fisheries and Resources
Reported back with recommendation that

Read second time and

Read third time and

PASS	Effective Date
Yeas	Yeas
Nays	Nays
Absent	Absent
Excused	Excused

Reconsideration

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CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE

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Received from Senate

Concurred in Senate amendment thus adopting:
VOTE

Failed to concur in Senate amendment; asked Senate to recede
VOTE

Senate receded from amendment
VOTE

Senate failed to recede from amendment
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Chapter No.

COMMITTEE REPORT

HOUSE

(7)

FURTHER: RESOURCES

2/13/84

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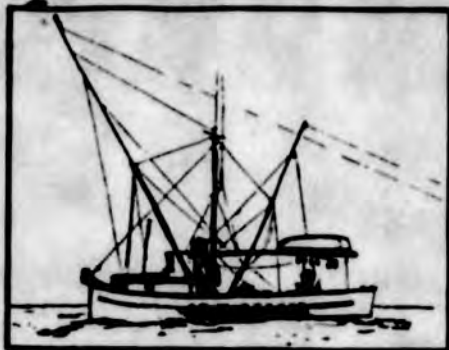
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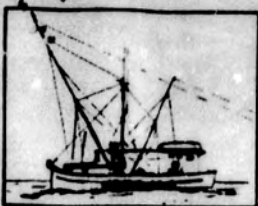
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FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date: _____

REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 658

Title: ...proposals for fisheries regulations.

Sponsor: McBride

Requestor: House Fisheries Committee

Date of Request: _____

FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected: Fish and Game

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Fiscal Impact Statement for Implementing
House Bill No 658: Proposals for Fisheries Regulations

Currently in FY 84, travel for Regional Councils and Advisory Committees is budgeted at 449.5. Since each proposal is to be reviewed by the appropriate advisory committee and then forwarded to the Regional Council for approval before it can reach the Board of Fisheries, this will double travel and per diem costs. Increased costs also include advertising, printing and supplies. Screening of proposals by the advisory committees should result in shorter board meetings, thus decreasing the costs associated with these meetings somewhat.