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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4

Relating to the prohibition of commercial sales of incidentally caught king salmon in Alaska.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS king salmon taken by commercial fishermen in Cook Inlet are caught incidentally to the taking of other species; and

WHEREAS most of these king salmon are dead when picked from the gear; and

WHEREAS approximately 8,000 king salmon may be taken annually in Cook Inlet having a value of approximately \$100,000, the sale of which would be of great economic benefit to the fishermen, the Kenai Peninsula and the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS the sale of the king salmon at market price would allow the fisherman to recover a portion of the loss caused by those king salmon through the damage to fishing gear and subsequent loss of red salmon; and

WHEREAS there is no biological evidence to indicate that such a ban will serve any needed conservation purpose;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska that the Board of Fish and Game is respectfully requested to repeal its regulations prohibiting commercial sale of incidentally caught king salmon in Cook Inlet and to allow these king salmon to be sold by commercial fishermen for full market price.