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## AN ACT

Relating to the Bristol Bay Regional Development Council; and providing for an effective date.

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

\* Section 1. The legislature recognizes that circumstances and events beyond state or local control have thrust the Bristol Bay regional population into a desperate plight and that the direct and proximate cause of this human distress is the destruction of the Bristol Bay red salmon fishery caused in part by Japanese high-seas fishing sanctioned by the federal government. Because of this distressed situation caused by federal action, the legislature recognizes that economic alternatives are needed to complement rehabilitation of the traditional fishery by the state. Therefore, it is the purpose of this Act to provide for the orderly consideration of the severe economic distress of the Bristol Bay region and to make possible the development of programs to resolve the problems of the region.

\* Sec. 2. There is established in the Office of the Governor the Bristol Bay Regional Development Council. The council consists of the commissioner of economic development who is chairman, the commissioner of community and regional affairs, the commissioner of fish and game, and six public members appointed by the governor. Members receive no compensation but are entitled to per diem and travel allowances established for state boards and commissions. The public members may not be state officers or employees. The public members shall be chosen from the Bristol Bay region and shall represent a cross section of the economic interests of the region.

\* Sec. 3. The Bristol Bay Regional Development Council may  
(1) hire staff and consultants to carry out its responsibilities under this Act;

(2) promulgate regulations under the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62) that it considers necessary to carry out its responsibilities under this Act;

(3) hold meetings and public hearings in the Bristol Bay region.

\* Sec. 4. The Bristol Bay Regional Development Council has the authority and responsibility to

(1) explore the short-term and long-term economic factors and federal and state programs and policies affecting the Bristol Bay region with a view toward producing a long-term economic and social development program for the region consistent with the living patterns of the resident population and integrating natural resources development with the environmental concerns of the region;

(2) present to the governor before the convening of the First Session, Ninth Legislature its proposed long-term economic and social development program for the region.

\* Sec. 5. All state departments and agencies shall cooperate with the Bristol Bay Regional Development Council by furnishing all necessary material not prohibited by law.

\* Sec. 6. This Act expires June 30, 1975.

\* Sec. 7. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without approval.