Submitted by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game on behalf of Board Member Morisky

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Substitute language for Proposal 207

5 AAC 75.027(b) is repealed:

5 AAC 75.027. Use of explosives or toxicants. (a) The use of any explosive or toxicant for taking any fish in the waters of Alaska is prohibited, except the use of a shaft tipped with an explosive charge, commonly know as a bangstick or powerhead, or a firearm may be used in salt water to kill a fish caught with legal gear.

(b) Repealed / /2016 [THE USE OF A SHAFT TIPPED WITH AN EXPLOSIVE CHARGE, COMMONLY KNOWN AS A BANGSTICK OR POWERHEAD, IS PROHIBITED IN FRESH WATER AND SALT WATER].

5 AAC 75.028 is amended to read:

5 AAC 75.028. Use of underwater spear and speargun. Subject to applicable seasons and bag and possession limits, a person who is completely submerged may use [IN SALT WATER,] a spear or speargun in saltwater to take fish if the spear or speargun is not tipped with an explosive charge [MAY BE USED TO TAKE FISH BY A PERSON WHO IS COMPLETELY SUBMERGED].