

HOUSE BILL NO. 161

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVES GATTIS, Neuman

Introduced: 3/11/13
Referred: Resources

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to auctions or raffles for big game harvest permits and to the selection
2 of nonprofit organizations to conduct auctions and raffles for the Department of Fish
3 and Game."

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

5 * Section 1. AS 16.05.343(a) is amended to read:

6 (a) The department may donate [ONE BISON] harvest permits [PERMIT]
7 each year for one [A] bison and one Dall sheep [FROM THE DELTA BISON
8 HERD] for a competitive auction or raffle. The donation may be made only to a
9 nonprofit corporation established to promote outdoor and conservation programs in
10 partnership with the department [FISH AND GAME LAW ENFORCEMENT],
11 subject to the terms of a memorandum of understanding developed by the department.

12 * Sec. 2. AS 16.05.343(c) is amended to read:

13 (c) The department, subject to regulations adopted by the commissioner, may
14 issue, through a competitive auction or raffle, up to four [TWO] harvest permits each

1 year for each of the following big game species: Dall sheep, bison, musk ox, brown or
 2 grizzly bear, **black bear**, moose, caribou, **goat, elk**, and wolf. Notwithstanding
 3 AS 36.30, the department may authorize a qualified organization **selected under (e) of**
 4 **this section** to conduct the auction or raffle on behalf of the department. If the
 5 department does authorize a qualified organization to conduct an auction or raffle for a
 6 big game species, the department shall make available to a qualified organization
 7 [BASED IN THE STATE] at least one harvest permit for that species. If the auction or
 8 raffle is conducted by a qualified organization, the organization may retain an amount
 9 from the gross proceeds of the auction or raffle equal to the administrative cost of the
 10 auction or raffle plus an amount not to exceed **25** [10] percent of the net proceeds. The
 11 **percent of the** proceeds from the auction or raffle of a big game harvest permit
 12 **retained by the organization** may **be used only to support conservation projects**
 13 **and conservation education programs approved by the department** [NOT BE
 14 USED TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO ANY CANDIDATE FOR POLITICAL
 15 OFFICE OR TO ANY ORGANIZATION SUPPORTING OR OPPOSING BALLOT
 16 PROPOSITIONS OR TO PAY EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH LOBBYING THE
 17 LEGISLATURE OR ADMINISTRATION]. All proceeds from the auction or raffle of
 18 the big game harvest permit less the amount that is retained by a qualified organization
 19 under this subsection shall be deposited in the fish and game fund under
 20 AS 16.05.100. **Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a** [A] person who is
 21 issued a big game harvest permit under this subsection shall receive upon the person's
 22 request a complimentary hunting license and a big game tag for the big game species
 23 for which the big game harvest permit is issued. A hunting license issued under this
 24 subsection must bear the inscription "Governor's license" or a similar designation. A
 25 person who receives a big game harvest permit, hunting license, or big game tag under
 26 this subsection may exercise the privileges conveyed by the permit, license, or tag
 27 only in accordance with **conditions set by the commissioner** [APPLICABLE LAW].
 28 in this subsection, "qualified organization" means **an organization selected under (e)**
 29 **of this section** [A NONPROFIT CORPORATION ESTABLISHED TO PROMOTE
 30 FISH AND GAME LAW ENFORCEMENT OR AN ORGANIZATION THAT IS
 31 ESTABLISHED TO PROMOTE MANAGEMENT OF HUNTED GAME SPECIES

1 AND USE OF GAME POPULATIONS FOR HUNTING AND THAT COMPLIES
2 WITH APPLICABLE LAWS GOVERNING ACTIVITIES UNDER THIS
3 SUBSECTION].

4 * **Sec. 3.** AS 16.05.343 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (e) The department may select a nonprofit organization that conducts outdoor
6 and conservation programs and supports wildlife research and management projects to
7 conduct auctions or raffles for the department under (c) of this section. An
8 organization selected under this subsection is a qualified organization if it

9 (1) is incorporated in the state as a nonprofit; and

10 (2) in the judgment of the department, demonstrates support for the
11 North American Model of Wildlife Conservation.

12 * **Sec. 4.** AS 16.05.343(b) is repealed.

HOUSE BILL NO. 170

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BY REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPHSON

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A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act establishing the Gordon Haber Denali Wolf Special Management Area."**

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 *** Section 1.** AS 41.21 is amended by adding a new section to article 5 to read:

4 **Sec. 41.21.524. Gordon Haber Denali Wolf Special Management Area**
5 **established.** (a) The Gordon Haber Denali Wolf Special Management Area is
6 established as a special purpose site in accordance with art. VIII, sec. 7, of the
7 Constitution of the State of Alaska to protect wolves from hunting and trapping. The
8 Gordon Haber Denali Wolf Special Management Area consists of the land and water
9 presently owned by the state and the land and water acquired in the future by the state
10 lying within the boundaries of the parcel described in this subsection:

11 Beginning at the corner common to Townships 11 and 12 South, Ranges 8 and
12 9 West, Fairbanks Meridian, also the true point of beginning; thence easterly on the
13 township line between Townships 11 and 12 South, Range 8 West, Fairbanks
14 Meridian, to the centerline of the George Parks Highway; thence southerly on the
15 centerline of the George Parks Highway to the intersection with the section line

1 between Sections 19 and 30, Township 12 South, Range 7 West, Fairbanks Meridian;
2 thence westerly on the section line between Sections 19 and 30, Sections 20 and 29,
3 Sections 21 and 28, and Sections 22 and 27, Township 12 South, Range 7 West,
4 Fairbanks Meridian, to the intersection with a line parallel with and one mile easterly
5 of the Transmission Line of the Willow-Healy Intertie; the centerline is shown on
6 ADL 213063, and recorded as Plat 87-31 in the Nenana Recording District, Plat 87-56
7 in the Talkeetna Recording District, and Plat 87-280 in the Palmer Recording District;
8 thence southerly on a line parallel with and one mile easterly of the Transmission Line
9 of the Willow-Healy Intertie to the intersection with the Ordinary High Water of the
10 northerly bank of Carlo Creek; thence westerly on the Ordinary High Water of the
11 northerly bank of Carlo Creek to the confluence with the Ordinary High Water of the
12 easterly bank of the Nenana River; thence due West across the Nenana River to the
13 eastern boundary of the Denali National Park and Preserve; thence northerly, westerly,
14 northerly, and easterly on the boundary of the Denali National Park and Preserve to
15 the true point of beginning.

16 (b) The land and water lying within the Gordon Haber Denali Wolf Special
17 Management Area is reserved from all uses incompatible with its primary function to
18 protect wolves from hunting and trapping, except that nothing in this section may be
19 construed to prevent the Department of Fish and Game from taking, or authorizing the
20 taking of, wolves that present a danger to the health or safety of local residents.

21 (c) The land and water lying within the Gordon Haber Denali Wolf Special
22 Management Area is assigned to the department for control, development, and
23 maintenance.

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A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to game management and to regulations of the Board of Game."**

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 *** Section 1.** AS 16.05.340(a)(15) is amended to read:

4 (15) Nonresident big game tags

5 A nonresident may not take a big game animal without previously purchasing a
6 numbered, nontransferable, appropriate tag, issued under this paragraph. The tag must
7 be affixed to the animal immediately upon capture and must remain affixed until the
8 animal is prepared for storage, consumed, or exported. A tag issued but not used for an
9 animal may be used to satisfy the tagging requirement for an animal of any other
10 species for which the tag fee is of equal or less value.

- 11 (A) Bear, black, each 225
- 12 (B) Bear, brown or grizzly, each 500
- 13 (C) Bison, each 450
- 14 (D) Caribou, each 325
- 15 (E) Deer, each 150

1 (F) Elk, each 300
 2 (G) Goat, each 300
 3 (H) Moose, each 400
 4 (I) Sheep, each 425
 5 (J) Wolf, each 30

6 [A NONRESIDENT IS NOT REQUIRED TO HAVE A NONRESIDENT WOLF
 7 TAG TO TAKE A WOLF IN A GAME MANAGEMENT UNIT IF THE BOARD
 8 OF GAME HAS ADOPTED AN INTENSIVE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
 9 UNDER AS 16.05.255 FOR ALL OR A PORTION OF THE GAME
 10 MANAGEMENT UNIT.]

11 (K) Wolverine, each 175
 12 (L) Musk oxen, each 1,100

13 * **Sec. 2.** AS 16.05.340(a)(21) is amended to read:

14 (21) Nonresident alien big game tags
 15 (A) Bear, black, each 300
 16 (B) Bear, brown or grizzly, each 650
 17 (C) Bison, each 650
 18 (D) Caribou, each 425
 19 (E) Deer, each 200
 20 (F) Elk, each 400
 21 (G) Goat, each 400
 22 (H) Moose, each 500
 23 (I) Musk oxen, each 1,500
 24 (J) Sheep, each 550
 25 (K) Wolf, each 50

26 [A NONRESIDENT ALIEN IS NOT REQUIRED TO HAVE A NONRESIDENT
 27 ALIEN WOLF TAG TO TAKE A WOLF IN A GAME MANAGEMENT UNIT IF
 28 THE BOARD OF GAME HAS ADOPTED AN INTENSIVE MANAGEMENT
 29 PROGRAM UNDER AS 16.05.255 FOR ALL OR A PORTION OF THE GAME
 30 MANAGEMENT UNIT.]

31 (L) Wolverine, each 250

1 * **Sec. 3.** AS 16.05.783(a) is amended to read:

2 (a) A person may not shoot or assist in shooting a free-ranging wolf or
3 wolverine the same day that a person has been airborne. However, the Board of Game
4 may authorize a predator control program as part of a game management plan that
5 involves airborne or same day airborne shooting if the board has determined based on
6 information provided by the department

7 [(1) IN REGARD TO AN IDENTIFIED BIG GAME PREY
8 POPULATION UNDER AS 16.05.255(g) THAT OBJECTIVES SET BY THE
9 BOARD FOR THE POPULATION HAVE NOT BEEN ACHIEVED AND THAT
10 PREDATION IS AN IMPORTANT CAUSE FOR THE FAILURE TO ACHIEVE
11 THE OBJECTIVES SET BY THE BOARD, AND THAT A REDUCTION OF
12 PREDATION CAN REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO AID IN THE
13 ACHIEVEMENT OF THE OBJECTIVES; OR

14 (2)] that a disease or parasite of a predator population

15 (1) [(A)] is threatening the normal biological condition of the predator
16 population; or

17 (2) [(B)] if left untreated, would spread to other populations.

18 * **Sec. 4.** AS 08.54.750(e); AS 16.05.050(b), AS 16.05.255(e), 16.05.255(f), 16.05.255(g),
19 and 16.05.255(k) are repealed.

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1 **"An Act relating to the composition of the Board of Game."**

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 *** Section 1.** AS 16.05.221(b) is amended to read:

4 (b) For purposes of the conservation and development of the game resources
5 of the state, there is created a Board of Game composed of seven members appointed
6 by the governor, subject to confirmation by a majority of the members of the
7 legislature in joint session. The governor shall appoint each member on the basis of
8 interest in public affairs, good judgment, knowledge, and ability in the field of action
9 of the board, and with a view to providing diversity of interest and points of view in
10 the membership. At least one member shall be appointed whose predominant use
11 of game resources is nonconsumptive, such as tourism, wildlife viewing, or
12 scientific study. The knowledge and personal experience of the membership of
13 the board, taken as a whole, shall directly reflect all of the uses of game in the
14 state by residents, including sport and subsistence hunting and trapping, tourism,
15 wildlife viewing, and scientific study. The appointed members shall be residents of

1 the state and shall be appointed without regard to political affiliation or geographical
2 location of residence. The commissioner is not a member of the Board of Game, but
3 shall be ex officio secretary.

4 * **Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
5 read:

6 **APPLICABILITY.** The terms of the members of the Board of Game who are serving
7 on the effective date of this Act are not affected by the amendment to AS 16.05.221(b) in sec.
8 1 of this Act.