Potential ASMI-related changes to enable mariculture marketing
For Discussion Purposes between ASMI Board & MTF
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Statutory changes (2019-2020):
1) Remove prohibition to market aquatic farm products by changing the definition of seafood to include, rather than exclude, aquatic farm products (AS 16.51.180)

Current language:

Sec. 16.51.180. Definitions...(7) “seafood” means finfish, shellfish, and fish by-products, including but not limited to salmon, halibut, herring, flounder, crab, clam, cod, shrimp, and pollock, but does not include aquatic farm products as defined in AS 16.40.199.

Proposed language:

Sec. 16.51.180. Definitions...(7) “seafood” means finfish, shellfish, and fish by-products, including but not limited to salmon, halibut, herring, flounder, crab, clam, cod, shrimp, pollock, and aquatic farm products as defined in AS 16.40.199.

Statutory changes (introduce bill in 2023):
2) Allow for self-assessment and election process (AS 16.51.100-140)

Bylaw changes (after passage of above bill):
- Amend Article I (Revenue), Section I (Assessments)

Other policy/programmatic changes (timeline dependent upon Board approval):
- Conduct self-assessment election
- Adjust tag line
- Develop new species marketing strategy
- Collaborate with Alaska Grown