ALASKA JOINT BOARDS OF FISHERIES AND GAME

May 13, 2011 Meeting regarding Advisory Committee Membership

Summary

The Joint Boards of Fisheries and Game met by teleconference on Friday, May 13, 2011 to review information concerning requests for removal of two members of the Anchorage Advisory Committee and one member of the Juneau Douglas Advisory Committee.

Five members from the Board of Game and six members from the Board of Fisheries were in attendance. The Joint Boards discussed the requests concerning the three advisory committee members in an executive session. After the executive session, the Joint Boards found that the information provided did not constitute sufficient grounds for initiation of formal adjudicatory hearings for possible removal of the advisory committee members for cause under 5 AAC 96.060(n).

In the case of the Anchorage Advisory committee members, the advisory committee had suspended the two members and requested removal for cause by the Joint Boards. The Joint Boards indicated that its vote to not schedule further proceedings against the two members meant that they were to be reinstated. The member of the Juneau Advisory Committee in question had not been suspended by the committee and reinstatement was not necessary.

To explain their vote against further removal proceedings, the Joint Boards voted to establish a committee of four members (Tom Kluberton and Mike Smith of the Board of Fisheries and, Teresa Segar-Albaugh, and Cliff Judkins) to write findings that will address the expectation for advisory committee member behavior, and the use of Robert's Rules of Order by advisory committees to maintain orderly conduct in the meetings. The committee will also look at the need for scheduling a future joint board meeting for the purpose of considering regulatory changes to the advisory committee regulations, including the rules for the submission of advisory committee minutes at board meetings, as well as other joint board regulations.