PROPOSAL 175

5 AAC 29.114. District 12 and District 14 Enhanced Chum Salmon Troll Fisheries Management Plan.
Implement a king salmon possession restriction for vessels participating in the enhanced chum salmon troll fishery, as follows:

Add a new provision (d)(3) to read:

(d)(3) When a spring king salmon troll fishery is closed, a person may not have king salmon on board a salmon troll vessel while fishing for chum salmon.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? The District 12 and District 14 Enhanced Chum Salmon Troll Fisheries Management Plan was adopted in 2012. This plan was developed to provide additional opportunity for salmon troll fishermen to target enhanced chum salmon during the spring troll fisheries. The plan allows salmon troll fishermen to continue to fish for enhanced chum salmon in specified areas of districts 12 and 14 following any closure of these fisheries to the retention of king salmon as described in 5 AAC 29.090(d)(1)(D).

When the plan was adopted provisions restricting possession of king salmon while participating in enhanced chum salmon fisheries was inadvertently omitted. This proposal will add a king salmon possession restriction to the District 12 and District 14 Enhanced Chum Salmon Troll Fisheries Management Plan prohibiting salmon troll vessels participating in enhanced chum salmon fisheries from possessing king salmon in areas that have been closed to directed spring troll king salmon fishing.

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