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Substitute language for proposal ⁵⁴~~48~~:

5 AAC 28.467 (d) is amended as follows:

(d) The seasons for mechanical jigging machine and hand troll gear are as follows:

(1) the state-waters season shall open at 12:00 a.m. on January 1 and shall close when the mechanical jigging machine and hand troll gear allocation is taken [48 HOURS AFTER THE FEDERAL CENTRAL GULF OF ALASKA JIG GEAR "A" SEASON CLOSES; IF THE FEDERAL CENTRAL GULF OF ALASKA JIG GEAR "A" SEASON HAS NOT CLOSED BY MARCH 15, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL CLOSE THE PARALLEL SEASON FOR JIG GEAR AND MAY OPEN, BY EMERGENCY ORDER, THE STATE-WATERS SEASON ON OR AFTER MARCH 15, BASED ON INSEASON ASSESSMENT OF EFFORT, HARVEST RATE, OR REMAINING FEDERAL PACIFIC COD QUOTA];

(2) the parallel season that coincides with the federal Central Gulf of Alaska jig "A" season shall open 48 hours after the closure of the mechanical jigging machine and hand troll gear state-waters season [IF THE STATE-WATERS SEASON MECHANICAL JIGGING MACHINE AND HAND TROLL GEAR ALLOCATION HAS NOT BEEN TAKEN BY JUNE 8, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL CLOSE, BY EMERGENCY ORDER, THE STATE-WATERS SEASON ON JUNE 8 OR LATER BASED ON INSEASON ASSESSMENT OF EFFORT, HARVEST RATE, OR REMAINING PACIFIC COD GUIDELINE HARVEST LEVEL];

5 AAC 28.467 (f) is amended as follows:

(f) If during a state-waters season

(1) the commissioner determines that the jig gear allocation will not be taken by June 10, the commissioner may reopen a state-waters season at 12:00 noon April 1, and allow 50% of the remaining jig gear allocation, as of March 25, to be harvested by vessels using all legal gear;

(2) the state-waters season guideline harvest level is not taken by the conclusion of the federal Central Gulf of Alaska pot gear "B" season, the commissioner may reopen a state-waters season during which all legal gear may be used, and shall close, by emergency order, the season on December 31 or when the guideline harvest level is achieved, whichever occurs first.