PROPOSAL 49
5 AAC 28.410. Fishing seasons for Kodiak Area; and 5 AAC 28.4XX. New Section.
Create a Kodiak Area commercial sablefish season, as follows:

Open the season September 1 till December 31 or until the quota is caught. Adopt the same regulations as cook inlet state waters. Take 1% of the federal Central Gulf IFQ TAC to the Kodiak state water sablefish fishery.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Open a new fishery in Kodiak state waters for sablefish similar to what cook inlet state water has for sablefish. There is decent amount of sablefish in Kodiak state waters during fall it would be good opportunity for new entry fisherman to participate in that don’t own any IFQ sablefish quota.

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