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## ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

### POLICY ON TABLING AND POSTPONING PROPOSALS

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1. When it is necessary to table or postpone consideration of a proposal, the board will be guided by the motions and procedures specified in Robert's Rules of Order.
2. Because Robert's Rules of Order does not provide an effective way to postpone consideration of a proposal beyond a meeting and to a time uncertain, the board will accomplish that consistent with this policy through a "motion to postpone to a time uncertain."
3. The board intends that a motion to postpone to a time uncertain will be rarely used, and only when the board concludes that it needs additional information not currently available to act on a proposal, and the board is not able to identify the time by which the information will be available. Examples of when such a motion may be appropriate include when another federal or state agency may soon take action that will affect the proposal, and when the board concludes it is necessary to study an issue, gather more information, or develop criteria before taking up a proposal.
4. By motion the board may take up a postponed proposal at any regular or special meeting, provided appropriate notice is given consistent with the Alaska Administrative Procedure Act, (AS 44.62.010—AS 44.62.320), and the Alaska Open Meetings Act (AS 44.62.310—AS 44.62.312).
5. A motion to postpone to a time uncertain, adopted by a majority vote, will postpone consideration of a proposal until a future meeting, not later than the last regular meeting of the next board cycle. If the board concludes that it still needs additional information not currently available to act on the proposal, the board may table or postpone the proposal consistent with the motions and procedures specified in Robert's Rules of Order and this board policy.

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VOTE: 7-0

  
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Tom Kluberton, Chairman