## ALASKA BOARD OF GAME 2024-230-BOG

**Operating Procedures: Policy to Not Use Motion to Rescind** 

Meetings of the Alaska Board of Game (Board) are conducted to the extent practicable, in accordance with *Robert's Rules of Order*. However, the Board of Game is not required under Alaska Statutes to use any particular parliamentary procedures, so these rules are not mandatory.

Robert's Rules of Order allow for a motion to rescind as a procedural tool to avoid an action taken by the Board when a motion to reconsider is not an option. A motion to rescind enables a body to revisit a motion already voted on at a previous meeting because of new information or to correct an error. Unlike a motion for reconsideration, any member can make this motion; both motions require a two-thirds vote of the board membership, to carry.

The Board of Game employes several procedures for bringing a subject or proposal forward during or outside of the regular meeting cycle, including several methods to take action to repeal or change regulations. These procedural tools include Agenda Change Requests, Motions to Reconsider, Board Generated Proposals, and Emergency Petitions,

The Board is concerned that a *motion to rescind* may occur not only during the same Board meeting in which the action was taken and after which time a *motion to reconsider* is no longer an option, but also during a subsequent regular or special meeting. This may prevent the public that was engaged in the process that has left a Board meeting after an action has been taken, from being aware of the potential action for a motion to rescind, and available to provide comments.

Since the Board has adequate means of addressing regulatory changes during or outside of its regular meeting cycle, the Board will not use a motion to rescind after the adjournment of the meeting at which an action is taken or a motion failed, even if the motion to rescind would otherwise be allowable under *Robert's Rules of Order*.

Vote: 7-0 January 25, 2024 Kotzebue, Alaska

Jerry Burnett, Chairman Alaska Board of Game