

**Submitted by Board Member Jensen, prepared by the Alaska Department of Fish and Game<sup>i</sup>.**

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Substitute language for Proposal 267

5 AAC 32.425. Lawful gear for Registration Area J is amended to read:

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**(a)** Dungeness crab may be taken only with Dungeness crab pots or ring nets.

**(b)** In the Alaska Peninsula District, an aggregate of no more than 500 pots may be operated from a validly registered Dungeness crab vessel.

**(c)** In addition to the requirements of 5 AAC 32.051, in Registration Area J, in locations where a Dungeness crab pot limit is in effect, each Dungeness crab pot must have one identification tag issued by the department placed on the main buoy or on the trailer buoy if more than one buoy is attached to the pot.

**(d)** Identification tags are issued before each fishing season, are uniquely numbered for each registration year, and will be issued at the time of vessel registration for that vessel only. The vessel owner, or the owner's agent, shall apply for identification tags at a department office designated to issue the tags. Replacement of tags lost during the season is permitted if the vessel operator submits a sworn statement or affidavit to the department office that issued the tags, describing how the tags were lost and listing the numbers of the lost tags. Replacement tags will only be available from the Kodiak and Dutch Harbor local department offices. Tags shall be renewed annually before each fishing season.

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<sup>i</sup> Preparation of draft substitute language at the request of a Board member does not imply ADF&G support. The Department will state its position on the language during deliberation.