ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

OPERATING PROCEDURES POLICY TO NOT USE MOTION TO RESCIND

Under its *Standing Rules* (91-128-FB), the Alaska Board of Fisheries (Board) uses the most current version of *Robert's Rules of Order* as a guide in conducting meetings. However, under the Standing Rules and because the Board is not required under Alaska Statutes to use any particular parliamentary procedure, these rules are not mandatory. *Robert's Rules of Order* allows for a *motion to rescind* as a procedural tool to void an action taken by the Board when a *motion to reconsider* is no longer an option.

The Board employs several procedural tools 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 not allow the public that was engaged in the process that has left a Board meeting after an action has been taken to be 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 utilize a motion to rescind which would otherwise be allowed in Robert's Rules of Order.

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