**PROPOSAL 88** – **5 AAC 85.020. Seasons and bag limits for brown bear.** Shorten the season and reduce the bag limit for brown bear in Unit 16 as follows:

The Unit 16A brown bear season should be reduced from "no closed season" to August 10 - May 31.

The Unit 16B brown bear season should be reduced from "no closed season" to August 10 - May 31.

The Unit 16B brown bear bag limit should be reduced from two bears to one bear.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Brown bear harvest in Unit 16 reflects the desire of the Board of Game to reduce the bear population and to increase moose survival. The moose population no longer requires bear population reductions. Harvest levels should be reduced to maintain or grow the brown bear population.

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