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Re: Proposal 267

Dear Chairman Burnett,

Should the board decide to completely close the sheep season in 19C, we do NOT want the board to amend our proposal 267 to accomplish that.

As you are aware, in the past the board has amended RHAK proposals to do the complete opposite of what was intended, and this was brought before the board with a RHAK request to develop a similar policy as the Board of Fisheries which prohibits amending a proposal to change the intent of the proposer 180 degrees. The board chose not to institute such a policy.

Proposal 267 asks the board to limit nonresident sheep hunters in unit 19C to draw permits only with a limited allocation of 30 permits. We do not believe it is necessary to limit residents at this time, though we do have strong conservation concerns as sheep have declined dramatically, yet we are still allowing unlimited nonresident sheep hunting opportunity.

If the board wishes to close the sheep season in 19C to all general hunts, we request you do so with a board generated proposal. We do not want our proposal to be the means of doing that.

Thank you,

Mark Richards - Executive Director Resident Hunters of Alaska