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An Agenda Change Request (ACR 2) has been submitted to the Alaska Board of Game requesting to change 5 AAC 92.010 Harvest tickets and reports. The proponent is asking the board to eliminate all harvest tickets and create mandatory reporting requirements.

With respect to the board's Agenda Change Request (ACR) acceptance criteria (5 AAC 92.005):

- A. The department is unaware of any error in regulation.
- B. The department is unaware of any effects of regulations that were unforeseen when the regulation was adopted.
- C. The department is unaware of any biological concerns.
- D. The department is unaware of any unforeseen or unexpected events that would otherwise restrict or reduce a reasonable opportunity for customary and traditional wildlife uses as defined in AS 16.05.258(f).
- E. The department is unaware of any unexpected resource situation that would cause a biologically allowable resource harvest to be precluded by delayed regulatory action.

Harvest tickets assist to regulate individual bag limits and associated report cards provide an option for hunters to report by mail. Online reporting is currently available for many hunts in Alaska, and the department assesses each hunt individually to determine if online reporting should be allowed. The requested change appears to be non-regulatory and instead focuses on department administrative processes, and communication with hunters on required products for hunting.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting for statewide regulations is during winter/spring of 2024/2025. If the board accepts this ACR, the department recommends the proposal come before the board at its March 2023 meeting in Soldotna to allow for more public input.

Sincerely,

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