

Department of Fish and Game

DIVISION OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

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An Agenda Change Request (ACR) has been submitted to the Alaska Board of Game requesting to change 5 AAC 85.045, Hunting seasons and bag limits for moose, statewide.

With respect to the board's ACR acceptance criteria:

- (A) The department is unaware of any conservation concerns.
- (B) The department is unaware of an error in regulation.
- (C) The department is unaware of any unforeseen effects of regulations that should be addressed in a change to a regulation.

The department is unaware of any conservation concerns, errors in regulation, or unforeseen effects of regulations. The proposer is asking the board to allocate additional hunting opportunity for a specific group of people, which is allocation. There are currently four hunts that are only open to disabled veterans, and all four are drawing hunts for moose. Three of the drawing hunts are restricted to disabled veterans and disabled active-duty military that have incurred a 50% or greater service-connected disability. The fourth hunt is even more restrictive and is open only to disabled veterans and disabled active-duty military that are recipients of the Purple Heart and that have incurred a 100% service-connected disability.

Sincerely,

Bruce Dale, Director

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