ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES RESOLUTION #81-84-FB

su also #80-8-JB

RELATING TO THE "FOREST RESOURCES AND PRACTICES ACT OF 1978"

WHEREAS, the state has a fundamental obligation to insure that management of forest resources guarantees perpetual supplies of renewable resources, provides nonrenewable resources in a manner consistent with that obligation, and serves the needs of all Alaska for the many products, benefits, and services obtained from them, and

WHEREAS, the fish and wildlife resources of the State are reserved to the people for common use, and

WHEREAS, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game is responsible for managing, protecting, maintaining, improving and extending the fish and wildlife resources of the State, and

WHEREAS, the fish and wildlife habitat can be adversely impacted by improper timber harvesting activities, and

WHEREAS, the Forest Resources and Practices Act of 1978 does not give equal standing to the Department of Fish and Game.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the "Forest Resources and Practices Act of 1978" be revised to:

- 1. provide increased participation by the Department of Fish and Game, thereby creating equal stature with the Departments of Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation.
- provide more balanced attention to all resource values.
- 3. The Forest Practice Standards and Regulations be revised to provide more enforceable regulations.
- 4. The Board of Forestry be reorganized to more accurately reflect the interests of the general public.

ADOPTED: Juneau, Alaska

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VOTE: Adopted, 7 to 0

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