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## ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

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## ROARD OF FISHERIES DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY REGARDING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS OF PROCESSORS, BUYERS, AND FISHERMEN; TRANSPORTING REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with AS 16.05.270, the Alaska Board of Fisheries delegates to the commissioner of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game the authority to adopt and make permanent changes to the following regulations:

Regulation in 5 AAC 39.130. REPORTS REQUIRED OF PROCESSORS, BUYERS. AND FISHERMEN: TRANSPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

Southeast Alaska finfish regulations are scheduled for the 1996/97 (October 1996 - March 1997) board cycle. The board's "Call for Proposal" deadline is April 10, 1996. CSSB 41 (JUD) [CHAPTER 15 SLA95] provides that the board consider for adoption and adopt by May 1996 regulations that:

"requiring unlicensed fishing vessels present in or transiting the waters of the state to report to the department the quantity, species, and origin of fish on board; in the 3 paragraph, 'unlicensed fishing vessel' means a fishing vessel that is not licensed under AS 16.05.490 - 16.05.530." [AS 16.05.251.(16)]

The board finds that the most expeditious way to implement the new statutory requirement is to delegate its implementation to the commissioner and to have the commissioner publish a proposal for the upcoming Southeast Alaska area review. The enclosed draft regulation language was discussed by the board at the January 1996 meeting in Anchorage, AK. This or similar language will be distributed to the public for input.

The board also delegates authority to the commissioner to make necessary administrative changes to other appropriate regulations, if the changes in regulations under this delegation create any conflicts with existing regulations.

The board requests the commissioner to have the department staff submit a proposal by the April 10, 1996 deadline to notice this new regulation. This way the public has the opportunity to comment on the regulations during the regular board cycle.

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Anchorage, AK

Vote: ( 7/0/0/0) (Yes/No/Absent/Abstain)

Larry J. Engel, Chair Alaska Board of Fisheries

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