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I'm recommending change to the statute that does not allow the transfer of a hunting tag from a deceased person to a family member. Most especially grievous when it does in any other case. Most obviously the family member either for subsistence or honorary reasons may want to use that tag.



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Cord Lindquist
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I am writing to urge you, the Alaska Board of Fish and Game, to reconsider your position on allowing proxy hunts for Alaskan hunting members who pulled a permit and passed away before the hunt could be conducted. The State allows elderly and injured Alaskans to find a proxy in order to fulfill a tag; however, this same proxy is not afforded to family members of deceased loved ones.

A specific example of this is the case of Chris Bowerson. Mr. Bowerson was a life long avid hunter who rarely got an opportunity to hunt with his family due to work. This year, however, he was able to plan a family hunting trip with his father and other family member. Luckily, Mr. Bowerson was drawn for a moose hunt. Unfortunately, Mr. Bowerson passed away before his hunt could take place. Mr. Bowerson's family would love to conduct the hunt in honor of their son and to support numerous family members by providing countless meals for their potential harvest.

By not allowing family members of deceased hunters to fulfill the hunting tags via proxy hunters, you, the Board of Fish and Game, are wasting a lawfully gained hunting tag and taking the opportunity to procure wild game meat for those in need.

Again, I strongly hope you will reconsider your stance on allowing families of deceased hunters to gain access to their hunting tags/permits through a proxy system.

Thank you for your time,

Cord



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To whom it may concern.

Hello and good day to you. I'll get to the point. My nephew was murdered January 2 of this year and he ended up getting a moose tag this year (the only one in his family). My nephews and brother in law were wanting to use his tag in his memory. However, you guys denied that request. Please take it in consideration of maybe being a little more open minded with sensitive issues.

Thank you for your time and good day.
Regards,

Scott McGillivray



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I am hoping the state will change the law to proxie for those persons who were drawn for a hunt and because of death are not able to do the hunt themselves. As I understand at this time the hunt is forfeited. Please consider supporting my position on this issue and get this law changed. Thank for your support on this issue



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To Whom It May Concern,

My grandson Chase Bowerson put in for and received a permit for DM408 antlerless moose hunt for 2021. Chase was killed on January 2, 2021 so needless to say he won't be able to use his permit and according to the law that is in effect his permit cannot be transferred to a family member. This law has to change. There is no sensible reason these permits shouldn't be used by an immediate family member to provide meat for his family or anyone else's family who has had this situation happen to them.

Thank you for your consideration,

Tom McGillivray



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To the assembled members of the Board of Fish and Game. I grew up in Alaska, and while I was never a hunter, I was always envious of the deep bonds the experience can forge between parents, children, siblings, and friends. The Bowerson family lost a son and a brother this winter. They will not get to experience the hunting trip he'd been planning for with him, because he was taken long before his time. Chase's moose tags remain unclaimed, and it's the family's wish that the state allow an immediate family member to claim the tags in his stead so that they can come together for a memorial hunt in his honor. In the interest of decency, I beseech you to grant them this wish. Grief has no cure, but memory and family can be a potent salve on that wound, please allow the Bowerson family to grieve, memorialize and bond in a way that honors Chase's memory and wishes. Respectfully, Brennen Neithercoat



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Transfer the tag to Chase Bowerson's family. It is the right thing to do.



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Please consider transferring Chase Bowerson's tag to his family. If the tag was legally paid for it should still be honored. Even if transferred to his estates legal representative.



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Chase Bowerson is not alive to claim his tag to take his first moose. I find it ridiculous that his tag cannot be transferred to a family member who also put in a request for a tag this year too. I believe it would be in the best interest for the organization to research ways to transfer tags in response to acts of God to an eligible family member especially when they followed all instructions applying for a tag independently before someone's untimely passing.



Submitted By
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Please take another look at your policy of not allowing a hunting tag to be transferred to a proxy in cases of death or disability. This policy serves no true purpose and is causing actual grief to a mans family. Honor his memory. Thank you for listening