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Ted Spraker, Chairman  
Alaska Board of Game  
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Dear Chairman Spraker and Members of the Alaska Board of Game:

We would like to share our view as the Board contemplates the ramifications of changing from a two-year cycle to one of three years. As far as the Alaska Falconers Association is concerned, it is acceptable to us for statewide Cycle B topics, including falconry permits, to appear on the Board's agenda every other statewide cycle, as is the case presently. Cycle B items, including falconry regulations, are now opened up to discussion and amendment every four years. Assuming the Board maintains that pattern in the new three-year cycle environment, falconry regulations would be considered every six years. This is consistent with the Board's present practice and we wouldn't have a problem with that. From our perspective, the existing falconry rules don't have much room for improvement. We don't anticipate offering proposals for change in the foreseeable future. We would be content if the Board were to open the rules to amendment every six years.

We wish you good luck as you conclude your deliberations. Thank you for your service to Alaskans and for your consideration of our views.

Sincerely,

William R. Tilton  
President  
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