

HOUSE BILL NO. 134

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE JOSEPHSON

Introduced: 2/20/17

Referred:

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the composition of the Board of Game."**

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

3 * **Section 1.** AS 16.05.221(b) is amended to read:

4 (b) For purposes of the conservation and development of the game resources
5 of the state, there is created a Board of Game composed of seven members appointed
6 by the governor, subject to confirmation by a majority of the members of the
7 legislature in joint session. The governor shall appoint each member on the basis of
8 interest in public affairs, good judgment, knowledge, and ability in the field of action
9 of the board, and with a view to providing diversity of interest and points of view in
10 the membership. One member shall be appointed who is actively engaged in the
11 tourism industry. At least one member shall be appointed whose predominant
12 use of game resources is nonconsumptive, such as tourism, wildlife viewing, or
13 scientific study. The knowledge and personal experience of the membership of
14 the board, taken as a whole, shall directly reflect all of the uses of game in the
15 state by residents, including sport and subsistence hunting and trapping, tourism,

1 **wildlife viewing, and scientific study.** The appointed members shall be residents of
2 the state and shall be appointed without regard to political affiliation or geographical
3 location of residence. The commissioner is not a member of the Board of Game, but
4 shall be ex officio secretary.

5 * **Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
6 read:

7 APPLICABILITY. The terms of the members of the Board of Game who are serving
8 on the effective date of this Act are not affected by the amendment to AS 16.05.221(b) in sec.
9 1 of this Act.