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Problem Statement-

Alaskans are not receiving the maximum benefit from extremely limited non-resident drawing hunt allocations offered for sheep, brown/grizzly bear and mt. goat.

Proposed Solution-

- Allow residents to share their drawing tags for sheep, brown grizzly bear and goats with 2DK relative
- Prohibit 2DK relatives from applying drawing hunts for sheep, brown/grizzly bear and goat

Scope of the Proposal:

- Affects hunts for brown/grizzly bear, sheep and mt. goat ONLY
- Applies to hunts managed by drawing <u>ONLY</u>
- Resident hunters bag limit is <u>NOT AFFECTED</u>
- 2DK relatives will be required to purchase license & locking tags to participate
- Does <u>NOT</u> reduce drawing odds for resident hunters
- Does <u>NOT</u> apply to drawing hunts for moose, caribou, deer, bison

Sectional of Proposal-

- · Removes permit application requirements for affected 2dK if there is NO resident draw
- Prohibits 2dK drawing for described hunts
- Exempts resident from not being able to apply for the same hunt if they shared their tag with 2DK relative
- Clarifies the bag limits are NOT SHARED

Discussion

Enhancing Conservation:

Proposal 30 will enhance conservation by allowing for more 2DK relatives to take the field with their resident relatives. These shared experiences still require hunting licenses and tags to be purchased. Additional non-resident licenses and tags will be purchased, thus supporting conservation.

Drawing Hunts Strictly Limit Non-resident Allocation:

- Limited resource
- Conservation goals

2DK- An Unequal Benefit:

The 2DK provision is an un-equal benefit that is not enjoyed by ALL Alaskans. Most native Alaskans, for instance, do not have non-resident relatives. Many non-native Alaskan hunters do not have 2DK relatives either. Of course it goes without saying that the vast majority of non-residents do not have Alaska residents as relatives. Special youth hunts, on the other hand, provide an equal benefit to all Alaskan and non-resident children. Similarly, all residents and non-residents have an equal ability to hire a guide. 2DK allocations only benefit some Alaskans and a very, very few non-residents.

Guided Hunt Allocations are More Valuable than 2DK Allocations:

- Guided hunt are worth \$26,000 of total economic impact
- Hunts for sheep, brown bear and goats are more valuable- conservatively \$30,000
- Guides are overwhelmingly Alaskan- 86-89%
- Guided hunters benefit hunters and non-hunters alike
- 2DK hunters offer unknown economic benefits

Drawing Hunt Economic Examples:

- Prop. 30 Stabilizes 394 hunt opportunities- 11.8 million value
- 13D, 14A & 14C Sheep
 - o 25 affected tags- gross value \$750,000
 - o current loss approx. \$350,000
- Tok Sheep
 - o 8 affected tags- \$240,000
 - o current loss- \$120,000

Drawing Hunt Allocations- Differences Statewide:

- no-cap
- individual column
- resident column
- "up-to"