

**ACR 1** – Add emu to the list of animals allowed to be possessed without a permit.

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**CITE THE REGULATION THAT WILL BE CHANGED IF THIS ACR IS HEARD.**

5 AAC 92.029. Permit for possessing live game.

**WHAT IS THE PROBLEM YOU WOULD LIKE THE BOARD TO ADDRESS? STATE IN DETAIL THE NATURE OF THE CURRENT PROBLEM.** Add emu to clean list.

**WHAT SOLUTION DO YOU PREFER?** Emu would not require a permit and be on list be as is the policy of the USDA in every state in the United States.

**STATE IN DETAIL HOW THIS ACR MEETS THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:**

- 1) **To correct an error in regulation.**
- 2) **To correct an effect of a regulation that was unforeseen when a regulation was adopted.** 5 AAC 92.029 put poultry farmers and hobbyists at odds with the government without just cause, due process, or representation by any members of the board. No seats were given to any of these groups so they are unfairly and unjustly at the mercy of a board who has no interest in serving them, without provocation.
- 3) **Does the request identify a biological concern for the population or a threat to meeting objectives for the population?** Yes. All chicks would come from NPIP (National Poultry Improvement Plan) certified growers as is the case with all poultry.
- 4) **Does the request identify an unforeseen, unexpected event or effect that would otherwise restrict or reduce a reasonable opportunity for customary and traditional wildlife uses, as defined in AS 16.05.258(f)?** No. It has nothing to do with wildlife and is a domestic animal incapable of breeding in Alaska.
- 5) **Does the request identify an unforeseen, unexpected resource situation where a biologically allowable resource harvest would be precluded by delayed regulatory action and such delay would be significantly burdensome because the resource would be unavailable in the future?** It would prevent all Alaskans from being able to raise emu for meat or eggs for their families.

**WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF THIS PROBLEM IS NOT SOLVED PRIOR TO THE REGULAR CYCLE?** It will cause unjust and unfair loss of years of life to fight an abuse of power and unfair law that took away farmers' rights and representation. This is the only state the government put themselves above the people and put the farmer in a position to beg the government, who has no obligation to help or listen to them, and who decides how long they must wait or if their concerns will ever be heard or mentioned

**STATE WHY YOUR ACR IS NOT PREDOMINANTLY ALLOCATIVE.** It gives all Alaskans the equal right to raise a poultry animal that is listed in all other states as livestock

**IF THIS REQUEST IS ALLOCATIVE, STATE THE NEW INFORMATION THAT COMPELS THE BOARD TO CONSIDER AN ALLOCATIVE PROPOSAL OUTSIDE OF THE REGULAR CYCLE.**

**STATE YOUR INVOLVEMENT IN THE ISSUE THAT IS THE SUBJECT OF THIS ACR.**

I, as an American, want to raise emu on my farm for eggs and meat, but 5 AAC 92.029 is destroying my liberty and pursuit of happiness without justification, and is abusing power by allowing the government to create a board without having any seats but for those representing fish or game, not livestock or pets.

**STATE WHETHER THIS ACR HAS BEEN CONSIDERED BEFORE, EITHER AS A PROPOSAL OR AS AN ACR, AND IF SO, DURING WHICH BOARD OF GAME MEETING.** I filed a proposal but was told the board decides when what gets heard.