



Alaska State Legislature

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Fact Sheet for: Senate Bill 107

Short Title: EXPORT OF SPORT FISH

Summary:

- Requires nonresidents to pay an export tax for sport fish caught in Alaska and shipped out of state.
- Imposes a tax of \$10 dollars for every 50 pounds or less of fish being exported. An "export tag" must be attached to the outside of the container.
- Defines a container as a box, carton, suitcase, crate or any other container used to transport fish.

Benefits:

- Provides a new revenue stream to help pay for fisheries management in Alaska.
- Ensures tourists are paying their fair share.

Background:

- Alaska fisheries management is considered to be among the best in the world. That creates the opportunity for people from around the world to come here and catch thousands of pounds of fish each year and take it back home. SB 107 creates a moderate export tax on sport caught fish. A \$10 dollar sport fish "export tag" must be attached to each container holding 50 pounds or less of fish. The act takes effect January 1, 2006.