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Fact Sheet for: Senate Bill 164

Short Title: SALMON PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDIT

Summary:

- Extends the deadline for salmon processors to apply for a salmon product development tax credit for property purchased and put into service before December 31, 2008. Defines what items are eligible for a tax credit.
- Clarifies what items are eligible for the tax credit.

Benefits:

- Gives salmon processors more time to take advantage of the salmon development tax credit.
- Clarifies that the tax credit is for creating new salmon products.
- Helps the salmon industry succeed in creating new value added salmon products that open up new markets for the finest salmon in the world.

Background:

■ In 2003, the Legislature passed SB 90, the law creating a tax credit for salmon processors that develop new value added salmon products. SB 164 extends the deadline to apply for the tax credit another three years, to the end of 2008. Creating tax credits for salmon processors developing new value added products extends the marketing reach of our state's salmon industry. This legislation was drafted in consultation with the Alaska Department of Revenue and makes some other minor changes that improve the program's effectiveness.