

## Alaska Association of Student Governments Resolution #12 AASG Statement on Ballot Measure Number 1 Submitted by: AASG Executive Board

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## Be it Resolved by the Alaska Association of Student Governments that:

- 1. Whereas, Ballot Measure 1 is based off of HB 199, which the fall conference supported in a resolution;<sup>3</sup>
- 2. Whereas, according to Ballotpedia, Ballot Measure 1 is designed to, "establish new requirements and a new process for permit applications, permit application reviews, and the granting of permits for any projects or activities affecting bodies of water related to the activity of anadromous fish";<sup>1</sup>
- **3.** Whereas, Ballot Measure 1, in Section 3 (f), defines anadromous waters as, "naturally occurring permanent or intermittent seasonal water body, and the bed beneath, including all sloughs, portions of the floodplain covered by the mean annual flood, and adjacent riparian areas, that contribute, directly or indirectly, to the spawning, rearing, migration, or overwintering of anadromous fish";<sup>2</sup>
- **4.** Whereas, "a person must obtain an anadromous fish habitat permit before initiating an activity that may use, divert, obstruct, pollute, disturb, or otherwise alter anadromous fish habitat.";<sup>2</sup>
- **5.** Whereas, the permit applications are to be investigated and approved by the commissioner of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game;
- **6. Whereas,** Section 6 outlines three different types of permits, which are: "Minor individual anadromous fish habitat permit," "General permit for minor activities," and "Major anadromous fish habitat permit";<sup>2</sup>
  - a. all permits have different conditions in increasing intensity;

7. Whereas, all permits are also subject to conditions listed under 16.05.887;<sup>2</sup>

Therefore, be it resolved that the Alaska Association of Student Governments General Assembly supports Ballot Measure Number 1 (Initiative Petition 17FSH2), "An act providing for the protection of wild salmon and fish and wildlife habitat."

**Action Statement:** if passed by the General Assembly of AASG, this resolution will be posted on the AASG website and on AASG social media. It will also be sent to the following:

Stand for Salmon contact@standforsalmon.org 921 W 6th Avenue, Suite 200, Anchorage, AK 99501 Phone: (907) 274-3621

Stand for Alaska 200 West 34th Avenue, PMB 1219, Anchorage, AK 99503

## Sources:

- 1. <a href="https://ballotpedia.org/Alaska\_Ballot\_Measure\_1,\_Salmon\_Habitat\_Protections\_and\_Permits\_Initiative\_(2\_018)#Initiative\_design">https://ballotpedia.org/Alaska\_Ballot\_Measure\_1,\_Salmon\_Habitat\_Protections\_and\_Permits\_Initiative\_(2\_018)#Initiative\_design</a>
- 2. <a href="http://www.elections.alaska.gov/petitions/17FSH2/17FHS2%20Bill%20Revised%20by%20AK%20Supreme%20Court.pdf">http://www.elections.alaska.gov/petitions/17FSH2/17FHS2%20Bill%20Revised%20by%20AK%20Supreme%20Court.pdf</a>
- 3. <a href="https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B62nSKFWf39aYzRPNnlpUE84bUhFa0NOblN2S2g1R2lnbEd3/view?us">https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B62nSKFWf39aYzRPNnlpUE84bUhFa0NOblN2S2g1R2lnbEd3/view?us</a> <a href="p=sharing">p=sharing</a>

## Glossary:

Word:	Meaning:	Whereas statement:
Anadromous fish	Anadromous fish are fish that are born in freshwater, migrate out to the ocean to mature into adults and then return to freshwater to spawn.	2, 3, 4, 6

Intermittent	Occuring at irregular intervals; not continuous or steady.	2
Riparian	Related to or situated on the banks of a river.	2
Floodplain	Low-lying ground adjacent to a river.	2

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