

**SENATE BILL NO. 44**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

**BY SENATOR KAWASAKI**

**Introduced: 1/19/21**

**Referred: Prefiled**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act requiring the Board of Fisheries to prioritize personal use fisheries when**  
2 **implementing fishing restrictions to achieve a management goal."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 **\* Section 1.** AS 16.05.251 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (j) Except as provided in AS 16.05.258, when the harvest of a stock or species  
6 is limited to achieve a management goal, the Board of Fisheries shall place restrictions  
7 on all other fisheries before restricting personal use fisheries. In this subsection,  
8 "management goal" means the escapement or estimated population size of the  
9 exploited stock that provides the greatest potential for sustained yield as established by  
10 the board.