

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 185(FSH)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES

Offered: 2/7/20

Referred: Transportation

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES STUTES, Kreiss-Tomkins, Vance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the registration of commercial vessels; and providing for an effective**
2 **date."**

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 05.25.055(i) is amended to read:

5 (i) The following boats are exempt from the numbering and registration
6 provisions of this section:

7 (1) a boat that

8 (A) is not a barge;

9 (B) is operated in this state for a period not exceeding 90
10 consecutive days; and

11 (C) has a current, valid certificate of number issued by another
12 state having a federally approved numbering system;

13 (2) a foreign boat operated in water of the state for a period not
14 exceeding 90 consecutive days;

(3) a boat owned by the United States or an entity or political subdivision of the United States, or a boat owned by a state or an entity or political subdivision of a state;

(4) a boat that is not equipped with mechanical propulsion;

(5) a boat with a valid document to operate the boat that is issued by a foreign government;

(6) a handmade nonmotorized umiaq with a walrus or sealskin covering;

(7) **a commercial vessel that has a valid license issued under AS 16.05.490 or 16.05.530;**

(8) a boat that

(A) is a barge;

(B) is operated in this state for a period not exceeding 60 consecutive days; and

(C) has a current, valid certificate of number issued by another state having a federally approved numbering system.

* **Sec. 2.** AS 05.25.056(a) is amended to read:

(a) Except as provided under (f) of this section, the owner of an undocumented boat subject to registration in this state under AS 05.25.055, **or exempt from registration under AS 05.25.055(i)(7),** shall apply to the Department of Administration for a certificate of title for the boat.

* **Sec. 3.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

RETROACTIVITY. Section 1 of this Act is retroactive to January 1, 2020.

* **Sec. 4.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).