ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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Official Business

Proposed Regulations Noticed Between January 25 – February 19, 2014

Department

Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

Topic

• Regulations Public Comment Notice

Brief Description

 The Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development proposes to update the Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors occupational license fees by repealing obsolete examination fees for examinations that are proctored out-of-state and examinations that are no longer being administered, and also to establish a one-time fee for a certificate to practice as an engineer or a land surveyor in training.

Comment Period

• January 24 – February 25, 2014

Contact Information

 Written comments to be submitted by 4:30pm February 28, 2014 to: Jun Maiquis, Regulations Specialist
 Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development

P.O. Box 110806

Juneau, AK 99811-0806 Telephone: (907) 465-2537 E-mail: jun.maiquis@alaska.gov http://notice.alaska.gov/170616

Fiscal Information

• The proposed regulation changes are not expected to require an increased appropriation.

Notes

• Legislative Legal reviewed these regulations and determined that the proposed regulations may be inconsistent with statute. There is concern with the criteria the applicants must meet before they can

practice as an engineer or land surveyor "in training" in Alaska. This provision appears to be beyond the authority granted under existing statute as the board does not have explicit or implicit authority to regulate apprenticeships. After consultation with the Assistant Attorney General, they agreed that AS 08.48 does not appear to authorize the board to regulate "in training" surveyors and engineers.

Department

• Fish & Game

Topic

• Regulations Public Comment Notice

Brief Description

 The Department of Fish and Game proposes to change regulations by adopting by reference the 2014 versions of the logbook and vessel registration requirements for sport fishing guides and sport fishing services operating in fresh and salt waters for the 2014 fishing season.

Comment Period

• January 27, 2014 – February 28, 2014

Contact Information

• Written comments to be submitted by 5pm February 28, 2014 to:

Kevin J. Messing

Regulations Program Coordinator

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

P.O. Box 115526

Juneau, AK 99801

Fax (907) 465-2604 or e-mail kevin.messing@alaska.gov

Fiscal Information

• The proposed regulation changes are not expected to have a fiscal impact on F&G.

Department

Education & Early Development

Topic

• Regulations Public Comment Notice

Brief Description

The Department of Education & Early Development proposes to amend this regulation to allow revised, updated and new exams to be used for teacher certification and to further clarify requirements for an endorsement in school psychology. The Department of Education & Early Development proposes to amend this section by:

- 1) revising and updating Praxis II scores for highly qualified and professional certification;
- 2) adopting a new version of the Praxis I examination for initial certification;
- 3) adopting new examinations for the purpose of adding an endorsement; and

4) clarifying the requirements for an endorsement in school psychology.

Comment Period

• January 28 – March 4, 2014

Hearing Information

Public hearing 8am on March 13, 2014
 801 West 10th Street
 State Board Meeting Room, First Floor
 Department of Education & Early Development
 Juneau, Alaska 99801

Audio will also be streamed at http://www.alaskalegislature.tv/ Persons may also comment at the oral hearing via Legislative Information Offices across the state.

Contact Information

• Written comments to be submitted by 4 pm on March 4, 2014 to:

Commissioner's Office

Attn: Regulations Review

Alaska Department of Education & Early Development

801 West Tenth Street, Suite 200

P.O. Box 110500

Juneau, AK 99811-0500

E-mail: https://education.alaska.gov/regs/comment.cfm

Fiscal Information

The proposed regulation changes are not expected to have a fiscal impact on EED.

Department

- Lieutenant Governor's Office
 - o Division of Elections

Topic

• Regulations Public Comment Notice

Brief Description

• The Division of Elections proposes to repeal a number of obsolete and superseded regulations and set out new descriptions relating to precinct boundaries due to redistricting.

Comment Period

• January 21, 2014 – March 3, 2014

Contact Information

• Written comments to be submitted by 4pm March 3, 2014 to: Becky Weimer

Election Outreach Project Coordinator
State of Alaska
Division of Elections
P.O. Box 110017
Juneau, AK 99801
Fax (907) 465- 3203 or e-mail becky.weimer@alaska.gov

Fiscal Information

• The proposed regulation changes are not expected to have a fiscal impact on the Division of Elections.

Notes

• The proposed regulations were emailed on Thursday, January 30, 2014 although the public notice period began on January 21, 2014.

Department

Administration

Topic

• Regulations Public Comment Notice

Brief Description

• The Alaska State Personnel Board will consider proposed regulations concerning state employee personal leave; expansion of the partially exempt service and review outstanding ethics complaints and reports. The Alaska State Personnel Board will hold a meeting on February 28, 2014 to take action on minutes from earlier meetings, to review outstanding ethics cases and reports, to consider the adoption of proposed amendments to the Leave Regulations, to consider expansion of the partially exempt service, and other matters that may come before the board within the scope of this notice. Deliberation on ethics matters will occur in executive session because these matters are required to be confidential under AS 39.52.340.

Proposed amendment to the Leave Regulations:

2 AAC 08.062. Accumulation of personal leave will be amended to clarify that employees meeting the provisions of subsection (f) are exempt from subsections (b) and (c).

Proposed expansion of the partially exempt service to include:

069299 Deputy Director 028001 Chief Operations Officer, R&B

020001 Chief Operations Officer, Rect

028132 Chief Pension Officer, R&B

028048 Chief Finance Officer, R&B

Comment Period

• January 27, 2014 – February 28, 2014

Hearing Information

 Public hearing 12pm on February 28, 2014 Alaska State Personnel Board Bayview Building 619 East Ship Creek Avenue Suite 309 Anchorage, Alaska 99851

Contact Information

• Written comments to be submitted by 12pm February 27, 2014 to:

Nicki Neal Secretary to the Personnel Board Department of Administration PO Box 110201 Juneau, AK 99811-0201

Fax (907) 465-6624 or e-mail PersonnelBoard@alaska.gov

Fiscal Information

• The proposed regulation changes are not expected to have a fiscal impact on DOA.

Department

Fish & Game

Topic

• Regulations Public Comment Notice

Brief Description

• The Alaska Department of Fish and Game proposes changes to regulations related to the Anadromous Waters Catalog and Atlas, which is a listing of waterbodies statewide that are known to be important for the spawning, rearing, or migration of anadromous fish.

The Atlas to the Catalog of Waters Important for the Spawning, Rearing, or Migration of Anadromous Fishes and Catalog of Waters Important for the Spawning, Rearing, or Migration of Anadromous Fishes (Atlas and Catalog), which are adopted by reference in 5 AAC 95.011, will be revised and updated.

Comment Period

• February 3, 2014 – March 7, 2014

Contact Information

• Written comments to be submitted by 5pm February 28, 2014 to:

Jesse Coleman
Habitat Biologist
Division of Habitat
Central Region Office
Alaska Department of Fish & Game
333 Raspberry Road
Anchorage, AK 99518
E-mail jesse.coleman@alaska.gov

Fiscal Information

• The proposed regulation changes are not expected to have a fiscal impact on F&G.

Notes

• The proposed regulations state that there will not be an increased appropriation, however the department currently has \$10.5 set aside to complete the work associated with these regulations. This is

Department

• Revenue

Topic

• Regulations Public Comment Notice

Brief Description

• The Department of Revenue proposes to adopt regulations changes in the area of Vehicle Rental Tax dealing with rentals that exceed 90 days.

15 AAC 52.030 will be amended to allow extensions of rental contracts for periods of less than 90 days to be combined with original rental contracts with periods exceeding 90 days when determining whether the tax is required to be paid on the contract extension.

Comment Period

• February 6, 2014 – March 10, 2014

Contact Information

• Written comments to be submitted by 4pm February 28, 2014 to:

Johanna Bales, CPA

Deputy Director

Alaska Department of Revenue

Tax Division

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Anchorage, AK 99501

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Fiscal Information

• The proposed regulation changes are not expected to have a fiscal impact on Revenue.

Department

- Fish and Game
 - o Board of Game

Topic

• Regulations Public Comment Notice

Brief Description

The Board of Game may adopt, amend, repeal, or take no action on the subject matters listed below. Regulations to be the subject of board action concern the use or taking of game and include, but are not limited to the following:

A. HUNTING AND TRAPPING SEASONS, AND BAG LIMITS, including: Emergency subsistence hunts and musk ox in Unit 18.

B. METHODS AND MEANS AND HUNTER EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS including:

Hunter education and orientation requirements including certification for bowhunters taking big game and bears over bait, and unlawful methods for taking game and fur animals including with the use of motorized vehicles.

C. POSSESSION, TRANSPORTATION, AND USE OF GAME including: feeding game, possession of game, and salvage requirements for wild fowl, game meat, hides, and furs.

D. LICENSES, HARVEST TICKETS, HARVEST REPORTS, TAGS, FEES, AND PERMITS

including: Locking tag requirements for attachment to the animal; guide requirements for migratory bird hunting; inspection requirements for licenses, harvest tickets, and permits; permits for exporting raw skins; drawing permits for group/party hunts; special provisions for certain drawing hunts including guide-client contract requirements; permits for taking big game for certain religious and cultural ceremonies; restrictions to hunting bear with the use of bait or scent lures; permits to capture raptors; permits for possessing live game including finch and hamster species; prohibiting the transport, harbor or release of rodents; and prohibiting the possession of wolf and wild cat hybrids.

- E. INTENSIVE MANAGEMENT AND PREDATOR CONTROL IMPLEMENTATION PLANS including: Special provisions for predator control plans including reporting requirements and permits for selling hides and skulls.
- F. GAME MANAGEMENT UNITS: Description of Game Management Units including units 18 19, and 21.
- G. REGULATORY DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL PROVISIONS including: "general hunts", "subsistence hunts", "subsistence uses", "edible meat", "hindquarter", "trophy", "possession hunt", "processed for human consumption", and "salvage", "transporter", "guides", "brow palm", and "bait", "broken", "full curl ram", "bag limit", "mortally wounded", "harass", and the removal of black bear from the "furbearer" definition, antlerless moose reauthorization requirements, and definitions relation to "barter" and "noncommercial".

Comment Period

• January 21, 2014 – March 3, 2014

Hearing Information

Public hearing March 14-18, 2014
 Statewide Regulations Meeting
 Cycle A Schedule
 Dena'ina Civic and Convention Center
 600 West 7th Ave
 Anchorage, Alaska 99501

Contact Information

• Written comments to be submitted by 4pm March 3, 2014 to:

Alaska Board of Game

Boards Support Section

P.O. Box 115526

Juneau, AK 99811-5526

Fax (907) 465-6094

www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov

Fiscal Information

• The proposed regulation changes are not expected to have a fiscal impact on the Division of Elections.

Notes

• A live audio stream of the board meeting is intended to be available at each meeting and can be accessed on the Board of Game website at: www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov.

Department

- Education
 - o Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education

Topic

• Regulations Public Comment Notice

Brief Description

• The Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education proposes to change regulations relating to the authorization of postsecondary institutions operating in Alaska.

Comment Period

• February 19, 2014 – March 24, 2014

Contact Information

• Written comments to be submitted by 4pm February 28, 2014 to:

Dianne Barrans

Executive Director

Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education

P. O. Box 110505

Juneau, AK 99811-0505

E-mail ACPE.ExecDirector@Alaska.gov

Fiscal Information

The proposed regulation changes are not expected to have a fiscal impact on ACPE.