PROPOSAL 16

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Require log books for all charters operating in personal use and subsistence fisheries, as follows:

A vessel for hire should keep a logbook recording the number of customers, the methods by which they fished, and the total number of each species caught.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Alaska Department of Fish & Game (department) is unable to accurately track trends and catch rates when charter boats are hired to assist individuals engaging in subsistence and personal use fisheries. Much like the history of sport charter operations and the department's response via logbook requirements in fresh and saltwater areas, this recent commercialization of subsistence and personal use fisheries must be fully and accurately documented.

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