

PROPOSAL 144 - 5 AAC 56.XXX. Sport fishing by proxy., 5 AAC 57.XXX. Sport fishing by proxy., 5 AAC 58.XXX. Sport fishing by proxy., 5 AAC 59.XXX. Sport fishing by proxy., 5 AAC 60.XXX. Sport fishing by proxy., and 5 AAC 61.XXX. Sport fishing by proxy. Require that when proxy fishing in Upper Cook Inlet, once a bag limit is taken the next legal bag limit must be retained, as follows:

Notwithstanding 75.011 (Sport Fishing by Proxy) In Upper Cook Inlet, once a bag limit is taken either on behalf of a person under AAC75.011 or under a resident fishing license, the next legal bag limit must be retained.

What is the issue you would like the board to address and why? Proxy Fishing abuse. In cases where regulation requires once a bag limit is taken fishermen must stop fishing, fishermen may continue catch and release fishing under the guise of proxy fishing. This change would end this abuse and allow the benefit of proxy fishing to continue.

PROPOSED BY: Anchorage Fish and Game Advisory Committee (EF-F16-043)
