### (b) Membership

### (1) In general

The Panel shall be comprised of six members, as follows:

(A) One member who is an official of the United States Government with expertise in salmon conservation and management, who shall be appointed by the Secretary of State.

(B) One member who is an official of the State of Alaska with expertise in salmon conservation and management, who shall be appointed by the Governor of Alaska.

(C) Four members who are knowledgeable and experienced with regard to the salmon fisheries on the Yukon River, who shall be appointed by the Secretary of State in accordance with paragraph (2).

# (2) Appointees from Alaska

(A) The Secretary of State shall appoint the members under paragraph (1)(C) from a list of at least three individuals nominated for each position by the Governor of Alaska.

(B) In making the nominations, the Governor of Alaska may consider suggestions for nominations provided by organizations with expertise in Yukon River salmon fisheries.

(C) The Governor of Alaska may make appropriate nominations to allow for appointment of, and the Secretary of State shall appoint, under paragraph (1)(C)—

(i) at least one member who is qualified to represent the interests of Lower Yukon River fishing districts; and

(ii) at least one member who is qualified to represent the interests of Upper Yukon River fishing districts.

(D) At least one of the members appointed under paragraph (1)(C) shall be an Alaska Native.

# (3) Alternates

(A) The Secretary of State may designate an alternate Panel member for each Panel member the Secretary appoints under paragraphs (1)(A) and (C), who meets the same qualifications, to serve in the absence of the Panel member.

(B) The Governor of the State of Alaska may designate an alternative Panel member for the Panel member appointed under subsection (b)(1)(B), who meets the same qualifications, to serve in the absence of that Panel member.

### (c) Term length

Panel members and alternate Panel members shall serve 4-year terms. Any individual appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before the expiration of any term shall be appointed for the remainder of that term.

# (d) Reappointment

Panel members and alternate Panel members shall be eligible for reappointment.

### (e) Decisions

Decisions of the Panel shall be made by the consensus of the Panel members appointed under subparagraphs (B) and (C) of subsection (b)(1).

# (f) Consultation

In carrying out their functions, Panel members may consult with such other interested parties as they consider appropriate.

(Pub. L. 106–450, title II,  $\S 202$ , Nov. 7, 2000, 114 Stat. 1941.)

### REFERENCES IN TEXT

This subchapter or any other title, referred to in subsec. (a)(2)(C), was in the original "this or any other title". The reference to "any other title" probably was intended to mean a reference to any other act.

### SHORT TITLE

For short title of this subchapter as the "Yukon River Salmon Act of 2000", see section 201 of Pub. L. 106-450, set out as a note under section 5701 of this title.

### § 5722. Advisory committee

# (a) Appointments

The Governor of Alaska may establish and appoint an advisory committee of not less than eight, but not more than 12, individuals who are knowledgeable and experienced with regard to the salmon fisheries on the Yukon River. At least two of the advisory committee members shall be Alaska Natives. Members of the advisory committee may attend all meetings of the Panel, and shall be given the opportunity to examine and be heard on any matter under consideration by the Panel.

# (b) Compensation

The members of such advisory committee shall receive no compensation for their services.

# (c) Term length

Members of such advisory committee shall serve 2-year terms. Any individual appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before the expiration of any term shall be appointed for the remainder of that term.

# (d) Reappointment

Members of such advisory committee shall be eligible for reappointment.

(Pub. L. 106–450, title II,  $\S 203$ , Nov. 7, 2000, 114 Stat. 1943.)

# § 5723. Exemption

The Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to the Panel or to an advisory committee established under section 5722 of this title.

(Pub. L. 106-450, title II, §204, Nov. 7, 2000, 114 Stat. 1943.)

### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Federal Advisory Committee Act, referred to in text, is Pub. L. 92–463, Oct. 6, 1972, 86 Stat. 770, as amended, which is set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

# § 5724. Authority and responsibility

# (a) Responsible management entity

The State of Alaska Department of Fish and Game shall be the responsible management entity for the United States for the purposes of any agreement with Canada regarding management of salmon stocks originating from the Yukon River in Canada.

# (b) Effect of designation

The designation under subsection (a) shall not be considered to expand, diminish, or otherwise