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It's disturbing to see legislation that increases the required number of people to request a hearing on aquaculture leases from 5 to 25, literally making it harder for tax paying, honest citizens to have a genuine voice on issues connected to aquaculture that affect their daily life.

Case in point: LD 2065 would convert EXPERIMENTAL leases to standard 20-year leases and there would be no hearing on it unless 25 people reach out to request a hearing. Why are you making it harder for the public to weigh in on matters that are important to them - 5x the increase required - when you are the agency who claims to CARE ABOUT the issues that are important to the public?

You tell us that you WANT TO KNOW about public concerns so that things go as smoothly as possible and yet there is proposed legislation promoting the exact opposite. There's a huge disconnect here that makes no sense and I would respectfully ask that you reject LD 2065, a horrible attempt to make things harder for the public that you serve.