Board seeks to restrict

Japanese fishing

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The state Board of Fisheries asked the U.S. Section of the International North Pacific Fisheries Commission Monday to seek an end to Japanese high seas salmon fishing in the central Bering Sea.

It said the Japanese take of king salmon in the central Bering poses a threat to inshore runs and harvests of Alaskanspawned kings.

In a resolution approved unanimously, the board said it was not possible to verify the accuracy of king salmon catch statistics compiled by the Japanese high seas mothership fishery.