

# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE



## REPRESENTATIVE LES GARA

### Memorandum

### Explanation of Changes: HJR 26

*HJR 26: Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to the membership of the Redistricting Board and relating to district boundaries.*

**Section 1. Lines 6-10:** Replaced the word “nonpartisan” to a more specific statement, “the map may not be drawn to unduly favor a political party, and a district may not be drawn to unduly favor a political party or candidate.”

**Section 2 (a). Lines 4-18:** Language changed to add three independent Redistricting Board Members instead of 1. The Redistricting Board will now consist of seven members.

**Section 4 (d) Lines 6-7:** Language removed banning the selection of Board Members who had made political contributions or held political office at the municipal level.

**Section 4 (e ) Lines 9-12:** Language change to reflect the four Board Members appointed by political parties now elect the three remaining independent, nonpartisan Board Members.

**Section 4 (f). Lines 13-21:** Language change to reflect Supreme Court picking only three independent candidates for Redistricting Board, instead of 5.

**Section 6 Lines 1-3:** Language updated to reflect the new majority of the board.