

HOUSE BILL NO. 311

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE

Introduced: 2/1/12

Referred: State Affairs

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to certain information filed with the Alaska Public Offices**
2 **Commission; and providing for an effective date."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 * **Section 1.** AS 15.13.040(m) is repealed and reenacted to read:

5 (m) The commission may request that the information required under this
6 chapter be submitted electronically but shall accept any information required under
7 this chapter that is typed in clear and legible black typeface or hand-printed in dark ink
8 on paper in a format approved by the commission or on forms provided by the
9 commission and that is filed with the commission. When information is submitted
10 electronically, the commission shall accept information

11 (1) entered onto a version of the form accessed on the Internet website
12 of the commission; or

13 (2) submitted to the commission in the form of an electronic
14 spreadsheet or data file that contains field names and data types that conform to a

1 standard defined by the commission.

2 * **Sec. 2.** AS 15.13.110(c) is amended to read:

3 (c) All reports required by this chapter shall be filed with the commission's
 4 central office and shall be kept open to public inspection. **The commission shall keep**
 5 **a report filed on paper under AS 15.13.040(m) open to public inspection by**
 6 **scanning the report and posting a copy of the scanned image on the Internet**
 7 **within 10 days after the report is filed. The** [WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER EACH
 8 ELECTION, THE] commission shall prepare a summary of each report, which shall
 9 be made available to the public at cost upon request. Each summary **must** [SHALL]
 10 use uniform categories of reporting. **Summaries for reports filed**

11 **(1) electronically shall be made available within 30 days after the**
 12 **report is filed; and**

13 **(2) on paper shall be made available within 30 days after each**
 14 **election.**

15 * **Sec. 3.** The uncoded law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
 16 read:

17 TRANSITION. Notwithstanding AS 15.13 and the rules of the Alaska Public Offices
 18 Commission, a person who has submitted information electronically in a format allowed
 19 under AS 15.13.040(m), as repealed and reenacted by sec. 1 of this Act, or on paper in a
 20 format approved by the commission, is not subject to a civil penalty under AS 15.13.390 for
 21 failure properly to file a report under AS 15.13.040 if the information was filed after
 22 December 1, 2011, and before the effective date of this Act.

23 * **Sec. 4.** The uncoded law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
 24 read:

25 RETROACTIVITY. Sections 1 and 2 of this Act are retroactive to December 1, 2011.

26 * **Sec. 5.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).