

HOUSE BILL NO. 65

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE HAWKER

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Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the disclosure of financial information by persons who are subject to**
2 **the Legislative Ethics Act and by certain public officers, public employees, and**
3 **candidates for public office."**

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

5 * **Section 1.** AS 24.60.210(a) is amended to read:

6 (a) A person required to file a disclosure statement under AS 24.60.200 shall
7 file an annual report with the Alaska Public Offices Commission, covering the
8 previous calendar year, containing the disclosures required by AS 24.60.200, on or
9 before **April 30** [MARCH 15] of each year, except that a person appointed as a
10 legislator under AS 15.40, a public member of the committee, or a legislative director
11 must file within 30 days after the person's appointment. In addition, a person subject to
12 this subsection shall, within 90 days after leaving service as a legislator, legislative
13 director, or public member of the committee, file a final report containing the
14 disclosures required of the person by AS 24.60.200 for the period that begins on the

1 last day of the last period for which the person filed a report required by that section
 2 and ends on the date of the person's last day of service.

3 * **Sec. 2.** AS 24.60.250(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) In addition to the sanctions described in AS 24.60.260, if the Alaska Public
 5 Offices Commission finds that a candidate for the legislature who is an incumbent
 6 legislator has failed to file a report under AS 24.60.200 by **a deadline established in**
 7 **AS 24.60.210** [MARCH 15], the commission shall notify the candidate that the report
 8 is late. If the candidate fails to file the report within 30 days after it is due,

9 (1) the commission shall notify the lieutenant governor;

10 (2) the candidate shall forfeit nomination to office and may not be
 11 seated in office;

12 (3) the lieutenant governor may not certify the person's nomination for
 13 office or election to office; and

14 (4) nomination to the office shall be certified as provided in
 15 AS 39.50.060(b).

16 * **Sec. 3.** AS 39.50.020(a) is amended to read:

17 (a) A public official other than the governor or the lieutenant governor shall
 18 file a statement giving income sources and business interests, under oath and on
 19 penalty of perjury, within 30 days after taking office as a public official. Candidates
 20 for state elective office other than a candidate who is subject to AS 24.60 shall file the
 21 statement with the director of elections at the time of filing a declaration of candidacy
 22 or a nominating petition or becoming a candidate by any other means. Candidates for
 23 elective municipal office shall file the statement at the time of filing a nominating
 24 petition, declaration of candidacy, or other required filing for the elective municipal
 25 office. Refusal or failure to file within the time prescribed shall require that the
 26 candidate's filing fees, if any, and filing for office be refused or that a previously
 27 accepted filing fee be returned and the candidate's name removed from the filing
 28 records. A statement shall also be filed by public officials **not** [NO] later than
 29 **April 30** [MARCH 15] in each following year. On or before the 90th day after leaving
 30 office, a former public official shall file a final statement covering any period during
 31 the official's service in that office for which the public official has not already filed a

1 statement. Persons who are members of boards or commissions not named in
2 AS 39.50.200(b) are not required to file financial statements.