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To: Members of the Alaska Legislature

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Re: Sectional for House Bill 200 (28-LS-0736\A)

Section 1: Adds language to prevent recommendations on judges or justices to current restrictions on attempting to influence an election. It further includes those restrictions to The Alaska Judicial Council.

Section 2: Deletes the language that permitted recommendations in the election pamphlet..

Section 3: Specifies that the Judicial Council may not make recommendations on judicial officers and that all statements submitted to the public must be impartial and objective.

Section 4: Specifies that the Judicial Council may not make recommendations on Justices of the Supreme Court and that all statements submitted to the public must be impartial and objective.

Section 5: Specifies that the Judicial Council may not make recommendations on Judges of the Court of Appeals and that all statements submitted to the public must be impartial and objective.

Section 6: Specifies that the Judicial Council may not make recommendations on Superior Court Judges and that all statements submitted to the public must be impartial and objective.

Section 7: Specifies that the Judicial Council may not make recommendations on District Court Judges and that all statements submitted to the public must be impartial and objective.

Please note that a sectional summary of a bill should not be considered an authoritative interpretation of the bill and the bill itself is the best statement of its contents.