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**Explanation of Changes**  
**CS Senate Bill 129 (JUD)**

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The new committee substitute broadens information provided on judicial officers and clarifies the word limits as originally amended within section one of version A of the bill. The new committee substitute establishes three distinct sections of information for judicial officers in the election pamphlet; one that shall be provided by the Alaska Judicial Council and one that may be provided by the Alaska Judicial Council to the division of elections. The first required section will be divided into two parts, one for all justices and judges standing for retention and the one for judicial officers that are standing for retention for the first time.

The new committee substitute establishes a word limit of 1,200 for information that shall be provided by the Alaska Judicial Council; of which include a statement describing professional philosophy by the justice or judge that is not to exceed 150 words, and a self-assessment by the justice or judge to not to exceed 250 words. In addition, a word limit of 300 has been established for information that may be provided by the Alaska Judicial Council.

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