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SB 43 Elections, Voting, and Campaign Finance Sectional Analysis

"An Act relating to campaign finance and initiatives; relating to elections and voting; and relating to unlawful interference with voting."

Sec. 1 – AS 15.13.040(s) Page 1, Lines 5 to Page 2, Lines 7

Expands the reporting requirements for those who contributed more than \$2,000 in aggregate in a calendar year to an independent expenditure group to include all elections, not just candidate elections.

Sec. 2 – AS 15.13.065(c) Page 2, Lines 8 - 21

Conforming language to add AS 15.13.074(b) to the list of requirements in AS 15.13 that do apply to ballot propositions. This section states that all other sections in AS 15.13 except for those listed, do not apply to ballot propositions.

Sec. 3 – AS 15.13.110(k) Page 2, Lines 23 through Page 3, Line 2

Expands the reporting requirements for those who received more than \$2,000 in a calendar year from an independent expenditure group to include all elections, not just candidate elections.

Sec. 4 – AS 15.13.400(19) Page 3, Lines 4 - 9

Revises the definition of "outside-funded entity" to include entities that make independent expenditures to any election in Alaska, but whose place of business is outside the state of Alaska.

<u>Sec. 5 – AS 15.30.081 (m) Page 3, Lines 11-17</u>

New subsection specifying who may and who may not assist a voter in completing an absentee ballot.

<u>Sec. 6 – AS 15.56.035(a) Page 3, Lines 19-31</u>

This section expands the crime of unlawful interference with voting.

<u>Sec. 7 – AS 15.56.035 Page 5, Lines 1-16</u>

New subsection adding definitions referenced in new subsections in the bill.

Sec. 8 – AS 15.07.130(e)(3) and AS 15.20.800 Page 5, Line 12

This section repeals Vote by mail and a reference to Vote by mail from statute.

<u>Sec. 9 – AS 15.56.035(a)(8) – (10) Page 5, Lines 15-16</u>

Applicability of section six is specified as after the effective date.

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