

HOUSE BILL NO. 211

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE BUNDE

Introduced: 3/1/95

Referred: State Affairs, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to voter registration and to state election administration."

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

3 * Section 1. AS 15.07.125 is amended to read:

4 Sec. 15.07.125. OFFICIAL REGISTRATION LIST. The director shall prepare
5 an official registration list for each election consisting of the names of (1) all voters
6 whose registrations appear on the master register 30 days before the election,
7 including the names of voters whose registrations have been inactivated under
8 AS 15.07.130(b) [ARE NOT INACTIVE]; and (2) all voters whose names are required
9 to be placed on the list by AS 15.07.070(c) or (d). A list of persons eligible to vote
10 in each precinct at that election shall be prepared from the official registration list.

11 * Sec. 2. AS 15.07 is amended by adding a new section to read:

12 Sec. 15.07.127. PREPARATION OF VOTER REGISTRATION LISTS. The
13 director shall prepare both a statewide list and a list by precinct of the names and
14 addresses of all persons whose names appear on the official registration list maintained
15 under AS 15.07.125 and who are registered to vote and their political party affiliation.

1 Any person may obtain a copy of the list, or a part of the list, or a computer tape
2 containing both residence and mailing addresses of voters, by applying to the director
3 and paying to the state treasury a fee as determined by the director.

4 * **Sec. 3.** AS 15.07.130(c) is amended to read:

5 (c) The director shall obtain from the bureau of vital statistics a certified list
6 of all residents over 18 years of age who have died or who have been presumptively
7 declared dead. **Promptly after receipt of each list, but, in any event, at least once**
8 **each month, the** [THE] director shall cancel the registration of all deceased voters.

9 * **Sec. 4.** AS 15.07.135 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 15.07.135. CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION OF CONVICTED
11 PERSONS. **(a)** The director shall make reasonable efforts to obtain the names of
12 persons convicted of a felony involving moral turpitude. **Promptly after receipt of**
13 **evidence satisfactory to the director that a person has been convicted of a felony**
14 **involving moral turpitude, the** [THE] director shall cancel the registration of **the** [A]
15 person [CONVICTED OF A FELONY INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE].

16 **(b)** Upon presenting proof that **a** [THE] person **whose registration was**
17 **cancelled under (a) of this section has been** [IS] unconditionally discharged from
18 custody, the person may register. The director shall make reasonable efforts to verify
19 the unconditional discharge of persons applying for registration under this **subsection**
20 [SECTION].

21 * **Sec. 5.** AS 15.20.203(d) is amended to read:

22 (d) [IF AN ABSENTEE BALLOT IS REJECTED, THE ELECTION
23 SUPERVISOR SHALL SEND A COPY OF THE STATEMENT OF THE
24 CHALLENGE TO THE ABSENTEE VOTER.] The election supervisor shall place
25 all rejected absentee ballots in a separate envelope with the statements of challenge.
26 The envelope shall be labeled "rejected absentee ballots" and shall be forwarded to the
27 director with the election certificates and other returns.

28 * **Sec. 6.** AS 15.20.203 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

29 (h) Not later than 60 days after the certification of the results of an election,
30 the director shall prepare and mail to each absentee voter whose absentee ballot was
31 rejected under this section

- 1 (1) a copy of the statement of the challenge to the absentee ballot; and
2 (2) a summary of the reason that the challenge to the absentee ballot
3 was upheld and the absentee ballot was rejected.

4 * **Sec. 7.** AS 15.20.207(d) is amended to read:

5 (d) [IF A QUESTIONED BALLOT IS REJECTED, THE ELECTION
6 SUPERVISOR SHALL SEND A COPY OF THE STATEMENT OF THE
7 CHALLENGE TO THE QUESTIONED VOTER.] The election supervisor shall place
8 all rejected questioned ballots in a separate envelope with statements of challenge.
9 The envelope shall be labeled "rejected questioned ballots" and shall be forwarded to
10 the director with the election certificates and other returns.

11 * **Sec. 8.** AS 15.20.207 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

12 (h) Not later than 60 days after the certification of the results of an election,
13 the director shall prepare and mail to each questioned voter whose questioned ballot
14 was rejected under this section

15 (1) a copy of the statement of the challenge to the questioned ballot;
16 and

17 (2) a summary of the reason that the challenge to the questioned ballot
18 was upheld and the questioned ballot was rejected.

19 * **Sec. 9.** AS 15.20.211 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

20 (c) Not later than 60 days after the certification of the results of an election,
21 the director shall prepare and mail to each voter whose ballot was subject to partial
22 counting under this section

23 (1) a copy of the statement of the challenge to the ballot; and

24 (2) a summary of the reason that the challenge to the ballot was upheld
25 and the ballot was subject to only a partial counting.

26 * **Sec. 10.** AS 15.20.590(a) is amended to read:

27 (a) For every area of the state designated by the director for punch-card voting,
28 the director shall appoint a data processing review board **that** [WHICH] is responsible
29 to the director for the evaluation of all computer phases of the election. The board
30 shall consist of at least three members. **A state employee may not serve as a**
31 **member of the board.** At least one member shall be a member of the political party

1 whose candidate for governor received the largest number of statewide votes at the
2 preceding general election, one shall be a member of the party whose candidate
3 received the second largest number of votes, and one shall be registered to vote either
4 as an "independent" or "nonpartisan" or shall have declined to state a party affiliation
5 when registering to vote. At least one of the members must be familiar with the
6 election process, and at least two must have some expertise in computer programming
7 and processing. The election supervisor shall name one of the members who has
8 sufficient familiarity with computer programming and operations as presiding officer
9 of the board.