

**CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 275(STA)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Offered: 2/18/98

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): SENATORS MILLER, Pearce

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act specifying time periods for making, soliciting, or accepting campaign  
2 contributions to candidates for state office; and providing for an effective date."

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

4 \* **Section 1.** AS 15.13.072(d) is amended to read:

5 (d) A candidate or an individual who has filed with the commission the  
6 document necessary to permit that individual to incur election-related expenses under  
7 AS 15.13.100 **for election or reelection to state office** may not solicit or accept a  
8 contribution **while** [IF] the legislature is convened in a regular or special legislative  
9 session **unless** [, AND] the **solicitation or acceptance occurs during the 90 days**  
10 **immediately preceding an election in which the** candidate or individual is a  
11 **candidate** [MEMBER OF THE LEGISLATURE, OR EMPLOYED AS A MEMBER  
12 OF THE LEGISLATOR'S STAFF OR AS A MEMBER OF THE STAFF OF A  
13 LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE].

14 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 15.13.074(c) is amended to read:

1 (c) A person or group may not make a contribution

2 (1) [TO A CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR OR LIEUTENANT  
3 GOVERNOR OR AN INDIVIDUAL WHO FILES WITH THE COMMISSION THE  
4 DOCUMENT NECESSARY TO PERMIT THAT INDIVIDUAL TO INCUR  
5 CERTAIN ELECTION-RELATED EXPENSES AS AUTHORIZED BY AS 15.13.100  
6 FOR GOVERNOR OR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR, WHEN THE OFFICE IS TO  
7 BE FILLED AT A GENERAL ELECTION, BEFORE THE LATER OF THE  
8 FOLLOWING DATES:

9 (A) THE DATE THE INDIVIDUAL

10 (i) BECOMES A CANDIDATE; OR

11 (ii) FILES WITH THE COMMISSION THE  
12 DOCUMENT NECESSARY TO PERMIT THE INDIVIDUAL TO  
13 INCUR CERTAIN ELECTION-RELATED EXPENSES  
14 AS AUTHORIZED BY AS 15.13.100; OR

15 (B) JANUARY 1 OF THE YEAR OF THE GENERAL  
16 ELECTION;

17 (2) to a candidate for state office [THE STATE LEGISLATURE] or  
18 an individual who files with the commission the document necessary to permit that  
19 individual to incur certain election-related expenses as authorized by AS 15.13.100 for  
20 state office [THE STATE LEGISLATURE, WHEN THE OFFICE IS TO BE FILLED  
21 AT A GENERAL ELECTION,] while the legislature is convened in a [ITS] regular  
22 or special legislative session, unless the contribution is made during the 90 days  
23 immediately preceding an election in which the candidate or individual is a  
24 candidate, or [AND] before the later of the following dates:

25 (A) the date the individual

26 (i) becomes a candidate; or

27 (ii) files with the commission the document necessary  
28 to permit the individual to incur certain election-related expenses as  
29 authorized by AS 15.13.100; or

30 (B) January 1 of the year of the [GENERAL] election;

31 (2) [(3)] to a candidate or an individual who files with the commission

1 the document necessary to permit that individual to incur certain election-related  
 2 expenses as authorized by AS 15.13.100 for an office that is to be filled at a  
 3 [SPECIAL ELECTION OR] municipal election before the later of the following dates:

4 (A) the date the individual

5 (i) becomes a candidate; or

6 (ii) files with the commission the document necessary  
 7 to permit that individual to incur certain election-related expenses as  
 8 authorized by AS 15.13.100;

9 (B) is nine months before the date of the [GENERAL OR  
 10 REGULAR] municipal election [OR THAT IS BEFORE THE DATE OF THE  
 11 PROCLAMATION OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION AT WHICH THE  
 12 CANDIDATE OR INDIVIDUAL SEEKS ELECTION TO PUBLIC OFFICE];

13 or

14 (3) [(4)] to any candidate later than the 45th day

15 (A) after the date of a primary election if the candidate

16 (i) has been nominated at the primary election or is  
 17 running as a write-in candidate; and

18 (ii) is not opposed at the general election;

19 (B) after the date of the primary election if the candidate was not  
 20 nominated at the primary election; or

21 (C) after the date of the general election, or after the date of a  
 22 municipal or municipal runoff election, if the candidate was opposed at the  
 23 general, municipal, or municipal runoff election.

24 \* **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).