

SENATE BILL NO. 307 am

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Amended: 3/5/98

Introduced: 2/16/98

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to conditions for filling vacancies in the office of United States
2 senator; and providing for an effective date."

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 15.40.010 is amended to read:

5 **Sec. 15.40.010. Conditions and time of filling vacancy by appointment.**

6 When a vacancy occurs in the office of United States senator, the governor, within 30
7 days, shall appoint, subject to confirmation by a majority of the members of the
8 legislature in joint session, a qualified person to fill the vacancy. The person
9 appointed by the governor shall be of the same political party as that which
10 nominated the predecessor in office. However, if the remainder of the term of the
11 predecessor in office will expire or if the vacancy will be filled by a special election
12 before the United States senate will next meet, convene, or reconvene, the governor
13 may not fill the vacancy.

14 * **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).