

**SENATE BILL NO. 314**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Introduced: 5/1/00

Referred: Judiciary

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to primary election nominees for governor and lieutenant  
2 governor and regulating the nomination of the candidates for those offices whose  
3 names shall be placed on the general election ballot; and providing for an  
4 effective date."

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

6 \* **Section 1.** AS 15.15.030(5) is amended to read:

7 (5) The state general election ballot shall be printed on white paper  
8 with the names of the candidates and their party designations placed in separate  
9 sections under the office designation to which they were nominated. The party  
10 affiliation, if any, shall be designated after the name of the candidate. The lieutenant  
11 governor and the governor shall be included under the same section. Provision shall  
12 be made for voting for write-in and no-party candidates within each section, **except**  
13 **the section designated for the lieutenant governor and the governor.**

14 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 15.25.100 is amended to read:

1                   **Sec. 15.25.100. Placement of nominees on general election ballot. For the**  
 2                   **offices of United States senator or United States representative and for state**  
 3                   **legislative offices, the** [THE] director shall place **on the general election ballot** the  
 4                   name of the candidate receiving the highest number of votes for an office by a political  
 5                   party [ON THE GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT].

6                   \* **Sec. 3.** AS 15.25.100 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

7                   (b) For the office of governor, the director shall place on the general election  
 8                   ballot only the names of the candidates for governor receiving the highest number of  
 9                   votes and the second highest number of votes. For the office of lieutenant governor,  
 10                  the director shall place on the general election ballot with a candidate for governor the  
 11                  name of the candidate for lieutenant governor who received the highest number of  
 12                  votes and who is from the same political party as that candidate for governor.

13                  \* **Sec. 4.** AS 15.25.205(b) is amended to read:

14                  (b) For the offices of governor and lieutenant governor, **if a candidate of a**  
 15                  **political group is the candidate receiving the highest number or second-highest**  
 16                  **number of votes for the office of governor in the primary,** the director shall place  
 17                  on the general election ballot the name of the candidate [OF EACH POLITICAL  
 18                  GROUP RECEIVING THE GREATEST NUMBER OF VOTES FOR THE OFFICE  
 19                  OF GOVERNOR] together with the name of the candidate for lieutenant governor who  
 20                  received the **highest** [GREATEST] number of votes and who is from the same  
 21                  political group as that candidate. However, the director may not place on the general  
 22                  election ballot the name of the candidate of a political group receiving the **highest or**  
 23                  **second highest** [GREATEST] number of votes for the office of

24                               (1) governor unless there is also a candidate for lieutenant governor of  
 25                               that political group;

26                               (2) lieutenant governor unless there is also a candidate for governor of  
 27                               that political group.

28                  \* **Sec. 5.** This Act takes effect January 1, 2001.