



LAWS OF ALASKA

2004

Source
HB 31

Chapter No.

AN ACT

Relating to initiative and referendum petitions; and providing for an effective date.

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

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1 Relating to initiative and referendum petitions; and providing for an effective date.

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3 * **Section 1.** AS 15.45.140 is amended to read:

4 **Sec. 15.45.140. Filing of petition.** **(a)** The sponsors must file the initiative
5 petition within one year from the time the sponsors received notice from the lieutenant
6 governor that the petitions were ready for delivery to them. **The** [, AND THE]
7 petition **may be filed with the lieutenant governor only if it meets all of the**
8 **following requirements: it is** [MUST BE] signed by qualified voters

9 **(1)** equal in number to 10 percent of those who voted in the preceding
10 general election;

11 **(2)** [AND] resident in at least **three-fourths** [TWO-THIRDS] of the
12 house districts of the state; **and**

13 **(3) who, in each of the house districts described in (2) of this**

1 subsection, are equal in number to at least seven percent of those who voted in
2 the preceding general election in the house district.

3 **(b)** If the petition is not filed within the one-year period provided for in **(a)** of
4 this section, the petition has no force or effect.

5 * **Sec. 2.** AS 15.45.370 is amended to read:

6 **Sec. 15.45.370. Filing of petition.** The sponsors may file the petition

7 **(1)** only within 90 days after the adjournment of the legislative session
8 at which the act was passed; and

9 **(2)** only if **it is** signed by qualified voters

10 **(A)** equal in number to 10 percent of those who voted in the
11 preceding general election;

12 **(B)** [AND] resident in at least **three-fourths** [TWO-THIRDS]
13 of the house districts of the state; **and**

14 **(C) who, in each of the house districts described in (B) of**
15 **this paragraph, are equal in number to at least seven percent of those who**
16 **voted in the preceding general election in the house district.**

17 * **Sec. 3.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
18 read:

19 CONDITIONAL EFFECT OF ACT. This Act takes effect only if a constitutional
20 amendment requiring signatures from seven percent of the qualified voters who voted in the
21 district in the preceding general election in each of three-fourths of the house districts of the
22 state is passed by the legislature and approved by the voters at the 2004 general election.

23 * **Sec. 4.** If this Act takes effect under sec. 3 of this Act, it takes effect on the effective date
24 of the amendment described in sec. 3 of this Act.