

HOUSE BILL NO. 322

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVES SEATON, Holm

Introduced: 5/15/03

Referred: Community and Regional Affairs, State Affairs

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act requiring a municipal initiative or municipal referendum to be submitted to the**
2 **voters at the next regular election occurring not sooner than 60 days after certification**
3 **of the initiative or referendum petition."**

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

5 *** Section 1.** AS 29.26.170(a) is amended to read:

6 (a) Unless substantially the same measure is adopted, when a petition seeks an
7 initiative vote, the clerk shall submit the matter to the voters at the next regular
8 election occurring no sooner than 60 [45] days after certification of the petition. [IF
9 NO REGULAR ELECTION OCCURS WITHIN 75 DAYS AFTER THE
10 CERTIFICATION OF A PETITION, THE GOVERNING BODY SHALL HOLD A
11 SPECIAL ELECTION WITHIN 75 DAYS, BUT NOT SOONER THAN 45 DAYS
12 AFTER CERTIFICATION.]

13 *** Sec. 2.** AS 29.26.170(b) is amended to read:

14 (b) If the governing body adopts substantially the same measure, the petition

1 is void, and **the** matter initiated may not be placed before the voters.

2 * **Sec. 3.** AS 29.26.180(a) is amended to read:

3 (a) Unless the ordinance or resolution is repealed, when a petition seeks a
4 referendum vote, the clerk shall submit the matter to the voters at the next election
5 occurring no sooner than **60** [45] days after certification of the petition. [IF NO
6 ELECTION OCCURS WITHIN 75 DAYS OF CERTIFICATION OF A PETITION,
7 THE GOVERNING BODY SHALL HOLD A SPECIAL ELECTION WITHIN 75
8 DAYS, BUT NOT SOONER THAN 45 DAYS AFTER CERTIFICATION.]