

SENATE BILL NO. 24

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

BY SENATORS LINCOLN, Davis, French

Introduced: 1/21/03

Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act providing special absentee ballots for voters in remote areas."**

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

3 * **Section 1.** AS 15.20.082(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) The director shall prepare special absentee ballots under this section for
5 use in a state primary election, a state general election, and a state special election
6 when the voter notifies the director in writing that the voter expects to be living,
7 working, or traveling outside the United States **or in a remote area of the state**
8 **where distance, terrain, or other natural conditions deny the voter reasonable**
9 **access to a polling place** at the time of the election. The director shall prepare the
10 ballot so that it may be sent to the absentee voter 60 days before the date of the
11 election. The director shall list on the ballot the different races to be voted on at the
12 particular election on a statewide basis and, if the director prepares the ballot without
13 the names of candidates printed on the ballot, the director shall provide the voter with
14 information described in (c) of this section.