

HOUSE BILL NO. 139

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

BY REPRESENTATIVE KERTTULA

Introduced: 2/14/05

Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the voting rights of felons; and providing for an effective date."**

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

3 * **Section 1.** AS 15.05.030 is amended to read:

4 **Sec. 15.05.030. Loss and restoration of voting rights.** (a) A person
5 convicted of a crime that constitutes a felony [INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE]
6 under state or federal law **and who is incarcerated as a result** may not vote in a state,
7 federal, or municipal election [FROM THE DATE OF THE CONVICTION
8 THROUGH THE DATE OF THE UNCONDITIONAL DISCHARGE OF THE
9 PERSON]. Upon **release from incarceration** [THE UNCONDITIONAL
10 DISCHARGE], the person may register under AS 15.07.

11 (b) The commissioner of corrections shall establish procedures by which a
12 person **released from incarceration** [UNCONDITIONALLY DISCHARGED] is
13 advised of the voter registration requirements and procedures.

14 * **Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
15 read:

1 CONDITIONAL EFFECT OF ACT. This Act takes effect only if a constitutional
2 amendment changing the voting rights of felons to permit all but those felons in state or
3 federal custody to vote is passed by the legislature and approved by the voters at the 2006
4 general election.

5 * **Sec. 3.** If this Act takes effect under sec. 2 of this Act, it takes effect on the effective date
6 of the amendment described in sec. 2 of this Act.