

HOUSE BILL NO. 402

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE GRUENBERG

Introduced: 2/19/08

Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to elections; relating to the definition of 'political party'; and providing**
2 **for an effective date."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** AS 15.15.032 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (d) If the director provides for voting by use of electronically generated
6 ballots, the director shall provide ballots in English, and may provide ballots in one or
7 more languages other than English.

8 *** Sec. 2.** AS 15.60.010(25) is amended to read:

9 (25) "political party" means an organized group of voters that
10 represents a political program and

11 (A) that nominated a candidate for governor **at the preceding**
12 **general election** who received at least **5,000 votes or** three percent of the total
13 votes cast for governor, **whichever is less,** at **that** [THE PRECEDING]
14 general election [OR HAS REGISTERED VOTERS IN THE STATE EQUAL

1 IN NUMBER TO AT LEAST THREE PERCENT OF THE TOTAL VOTES
2 CAST FOR GOVERNOR AT THE PRECEDING GENERAL ELECTION];

3 (B) if the office of governor was not on the ballot at the
4 preceding general election but the office of United States senator was on that
5 ballot, that nominated a candidate for United States senator who received at
6 least 5,000 votes or three percent of the total votes cast for United States
7 senator, whichever is less, at that general election [OR HAS REGISTERED
8 VOTERS IN THE STATE EQUAL IN NUMBER TO AT LEAST THREE
9 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL VOTES CAST FOR UNITED STATES
10 SENATOR AT THAT GENERAL ELECTION]; or

11 (C) if neither the office of governor nor the office of United
12 States senator was on the ballot at the preceding general election, that
13 nominated a candidate for United States representative who received at least
14 5,000 votes or three percent of the total votes cast for United States
15 representative, whichever is less, at that general election [OR HAS
16 REGISTERED VOTERS IN THE STATE EQUAL IN NUMBER TO AT
17 LEAST THREE PERCENT OF THE TOTAL VOTES CAST FOR UNITED
18 STATES REPRESENTATIVE AT THAT GENERAL ELECTION];

19 * **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).