

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 198

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Referred: State Affairs, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act extending the statute of limitations for the filing of complaints with the Alaska
2 Public Offices Commission involving state election campaigns; and extending the statute
3 of limitations for prosecutions of violations of the Alaska Election Code."

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

5 * **Section 1.** AS 15.13.380(b) is amended to read:

6 (b) A member of the commission, the commission's executive director, or a
7 person who believes a violation of this chapter or a regulation adopted under this
8 chapter has occurred or is occurring may file an administrative complaint with the
9 commission within four years [ONE YEAR] after the date of the alleged violation. If
10 a member of the commission has filed the complaint, that member may not participate
11 as a commissioner in any proceeding of the commission with respect to the complaint.
12 The commission may consider a complaint on an expedited basis or a regular basis.

13 * **Sec. 2.** AS 15.56.130 is repealed.

14 * **Sec. 3.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to

1 read:

2 APPLICABILITY. (a) The amendment of AS 15.13.380(b) made by sec. 1 of this Act
3 applies to administrative complaints alleging violations of AS 15.13 or the regulations
4 adopted under that chapter that occurred

5 (1) within one year before the effective date of this Act; or

6 (2) on or after the effective date of this Act.

7 (b) The change in the time limitation for prosecutions for offenses described in
8 AS 15.05 - AS 15.60 (Alaska Election Code) made by sec. 2 of this Act applies to

9 (1) offenses committed in connection with an election occurring within one
10 year before the effective date of this Act; or

11 (2) offenses committed on or after the effective date of this Act.