

HOUSE BILL NO. 12

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVES GRUENBERG, Gara

Introduced: 1/16/13

Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act making an absentee ballot application valid through the two general elections**
2 **following its submission; providing that a voter's absentee ballot application is valid**
3 **through the two general elections following an election at which the voter casts an**
4 **absentee ballot; and providing for an effective date."**

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

6 *** Section 1.** AS 15.20.081(i) is repealed and reenacted to read:

7 (i) An absentee ballot application submitted by a qualified voter or on behalf
8 of a qualified voter is valid through the two general elections following the date the
9 application is submitted. If a voter casts an absentee ballot in accordance with (d) - (f)
10 of this section, the voter's absentee ballot application remains valid through the two
11 general elections following the election in which the ballot was cast. However,
12 nothing in this subsection requires the director or an election supervisor to send an
13 absentee ballot to a voter after the director or election supervisor has received actual
14 notice that mail sent to the permanent mailing address of the voter, or a different

1 address provided by the voter, is undeliverable to the voter at that address.

2 * **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect January 1, 2014.