

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

2 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 32

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing the dates for the fil-
7 ing and elections for public office; repeal-
8 ing and re-enacting subsec. (1) of Sec.
9 38-4-1, ACLA 1949 as amended by Ch. 17, SLA
10 1953, and Secs. 38-4-3 and 38-5-1, ACLA
11 1949; and providing for an effective date."

12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

13 Section 1. FILING DATE. Subsec. (1) of Sec. 38-4-1, ACLA
14 1949 as amended by Ch. 17, SLA 1953, is hereby repealed and re-
15 enacted to read as follows:

16 Sec. 38-4-1 (1) DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY: FORM AND CON-
17 TENTS. All candidates for state office and member of the
18 U. S. Congress who seek the nomination of a recognized
19 political party of the state shall be nominated in a primary
20 election by direct vote of the people in the following
21 manner:

22 Any person who is a member of a political party and
23 desires to become a candidate of that party for any elective
24 office shall, on or before the first day of April, before
25 the date of the primary election, make under oath before a
26 notary public or any officer authorized to take acknowledg-
27 ments or jurats and file directly, by mail, or by telegraph,
28 such telegraph to be substantiated by mailing of the original
29 declaration, which must be postmarked on or before the last

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day of filing, a declaration of candidacy, which shall contain the name, address and length of residency of the candidate in his precinct, election district, and Alaska, provided, however, that any candidate who has not resided in the State of Alaska for at least five years preceding the date of declaration shall file with such declaration his last address in the state or country in which he resided, together with at least one character reference, and a statement that he is a qualified voter in the district; that he is a member of the political party from which he seeks the nomination; that in the preceding primary election his name did not appear on the ballot as a candidate of a different party; and that if nominated and elected he will support the principles of the party he seeks to represent and has subscribed to the principles of such party for at least two years.

The declaration shall be in substantially the following form:

DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY

I,, declare that I reside at, in the city of (street and number) District (number or letter), State of Alaska, and receive my mail at; (resident address, P. O. Box, or rural route) that I have been a resident of Alaska and the District during the two years preceding the date of this declaration; that I have been a member of the Party for at least two years prior to the filing of this declaration;

1 that I am a citizen of the United States, a qualified voter
2 of the State of Alaska and that I can read and write the
3 English language; and that my name did not appear on the
4 ballot at the last primary election as a candidate of a
5 different party.

6 I declare myself a candidate for nomination to the
7 office of to be voted on at the primary
8 election to be held on the day of,
9 19...., and request that my name be printed upon the official
10 primary ballot as a candidate of theParty.

11 Accompanying this declaration is the sum of \$.....,
12 the fee required by law of me for becoming a candidate.

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14 Signature of Candidate

15 Subscribed and sworn to before me this day of
16, 19....

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18 Notary Public

19 Sec. 2. PRIMARY ELECTION. Sec. 38-4-3, ACLA 1949, is hereby
20 repealed and re-enacted to read as follows:

21 Sec. 38-4-3. PRIMARY ELECTION. The party primary elec-
22 tion for the nomination of candidates of recognized poli-
23 tical parties who will appear on the general election ballot
24 shall be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday
25 in June in 1960 and on the same date every second year there-
26 after.

27 Sec. 3. GENERAL ELECTION. Sec. 38-5-1, ACLA 1949, is hereby
28 repealed and re-enacted to read as follows:

29 Sec. 38-5-1. GENERAL ELECTION. The general election

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for members of the legislature, the Alaska delegation to Congress, and the governor and secretary of state, as appropriate, shall be held on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November of the even-numbered years.

Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval or upon its becoming law without such approval.