

1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 45

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act to prohibit newspapers from adding
7 a surcharge for political advertising; and
8 and establishing penalties."

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

10 Section 1. POLITICAL ADVERTISING: NO SURCHARGE THEREFOR. No
11 newspaper or other periodical published within the State of Alaska
12 shall impose a charge or rate for any published political adver-
13 tisement over and above the normal and standard charge or rate for
14 commercial or other advertisements appearing in such publications.
15 For the purpose of this Act "political advertisement" shall in-
16 clude political ads, pictures, or advertisements concerning
17 initiative, referendum and recall elections, together with general
18 primary or other elections, whether on a local or state level.

19 Sec. 2. PENALTY. Any person who violates the provisions of
20 this Act shall, upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of
21 not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or by imprisonment
22 for not more than six (6) months, or by both such fine and im-
23 prisonment.