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IN THE HOUSE

BY MRS. SWEENEY

HOUSE BILL NO. 2

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to state elections; amend-
ing Secs. 4.73 and 5.07, Ch. 83, SLA 1960;
and providing for an effective date."

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

Section 1. Sec. 4.73, Ch. 83, SLA 1960, is amended to read:

Sec. 4.73. REQUIREMENT OF DEPOSIT. The application shall include a deposit in cash, by certified check or by bond with a surety approved by the secretary of state. The amount of the deposit is \$7.00 for every 100 votes or fractional part of 100 votes counted in the state canvass from the precincts included in the recount. [\$50.00 FOR EACH PRECINCT; OR IF MORE THAN 10 PRECINCTS IN ANY ELECTION DISTRICT ARE INCLUDED IN THE RECOUNT, THE AMOUNT OF DEPOSIT IS \$500.00 FOR EACH ELECTION DISTRICT.] However, if the recount includes an office for which candidates received a tie vote, or a question or proposition for which there was a tie vote on the issue, the application need not include any deposit. If on the recount a candidate other than the candidate who had received the original election certificate is declared elected, or if the vote on recount is determined to be four per cent or more in excess of the vote reported by the state canvass for the candidate applying for the recount, or in favor or opposed to the question or proposition as stated in the application, the deposit shall be refunded.

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Sec. 2. Sec. 5.07, Ch. 83, SLA 1960, is amended to read:

Sec. 5.07. SPECIAL PROVISIONS ON COUNTING BALLOTS.

Voters may vote for candidates in more than one party column.

No voter may vote for any person whose name is not on the ballot [OR VOTE FOR CANDIDATES IN MORE THAN ONE COLUMN].

Votes cast for a person whose name is not on the ballot shall not be counted, but writing in a candidate's name does not invalidate the entire ballot. [BALLOTS CAST WITH VOTES FOR CANDIDATES IN MORE THAN ONE PARTY COLUMN SHALL NOT BE COUNTED, AND THE ENTIRE BALLOT IS INVALID.]

Sec. 3. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.