

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MR. LEONARD

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HOUSE BILL NO. 6

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for a public opinion poll
7 to determine whether to retain the present
8 system of nominating candidates or to re-
9 place it with the 'blanket primary' system;
10 and providing for an effective date."

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

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* Section 1. The secretary of state shall place on the next
13 general election ballot a proposition to determine the wishes of
14 the voters of the state regarding the type of party nomination
15 procedure they wish to have. The proposition shall be phrased by
16 the secretary of state so as to allow the voters to make a choice
17 between the present primary nomination procedure found in AS 15.-
18 25.080, wherein voters participating in the nomination of party
19 candidates to represent the party on the general election ballot
20 may indicate their party preference and then restrict their selec-
21 tion to the candidates of one party only, or to change the nomi-
22 nating procedure for political party candidates to allow the voter,
23 regardless of membership in or preference for a political party,
24 to select the nominees of either or both major political parties
25 for placement on the general election ballot. The majority de-
26 cision of the voters in this public opinion poll shall be consid-
27 ered a mandate for action by the legislature.

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* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage
and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.

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