

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST
OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 388

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the time within which an
7 application for an election recount may be
8 filed."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 15.20.430 is amended to read:

11 Sec. 15.20.430. AUTHORIZATION OF RECOUNT APPLICATION.

12 (a) A defeated candidate or 10 qualified voters who believe
13 there has been a mistake made by an election official or by
14 the canvassing board in counting the votes in an election,
15 may file an application within eight [FIVE] days after the
16 completion of the state canvass to the secretary of state for
17 a recount of the votes from any particular precinct or any
18 election district and for any particular office, proposition,
19 or question. However, the application may be filed only with-
20 in five [THREE] days after the completion of the state can-
21 vass after the general election for a recount of votes cast
22 for the office of governor and secretary of state. If there
23 is a tie vote as provided in AS 15.15.460, the secretary of
24 state shall initiate the recount and give notice to the
25 interested parties as provided in sec. 470 of this chapter.

26 (b) The date on which the secretary of state receives
27 an application, rather than the date of mailing or trans-
28 mission, determines whether an application is filed within
29 the time allowed by (a) of this section.