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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE  
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 512

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act directing the Secretary of State  
7 to place a question on the ballot for the  
8 1966 general election as to whether the  
9 voters favor or oppose early construction  
10 of the Rampart Dam Hydro Electric Project;  
11 and providing an effective date."

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

13 \* Section 1. PURPOSE. The early construction of the Rampart  
14 Hydro Electric Project has been a very controversial issue.  
15 Studies have shown that the Rampart Hydro Electric Project will  
16 provide a large quantity of low cost electric power. Many  
17 citizens of Alaska believe that this large source of electric  
18 power will encourage new industry to come to Alaska and will  
19 help develop the state's natural resources. However, there are  
20 also many citizens of Alaska who oppose construction of the  
21 project on the ground that the huge lake to be created by the  
22 dam would unnecessarily destroy much wildlife in, and natural  
23 history of, the Yukon River area. The purpose of this bill is  
24 to determine the wishes of the citizens of Alaska prior to the  
25 settlement of this controversial issue by placing the basic  
26 question in the ballot for the 1966 general election.

27 \* Sec. 2. The secretary of state shall place the following  
28 question on the ballot for the 1966 general election:

29 Do you favor the early construction of the Rampart

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Hydro Electric Project?

Yes  No

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