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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 220

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for preferential presidential
7 primary elections and selection of delegates to
8 national presidential conventions."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 15.25 is amended by adding new sections to read:

11 ARTICLE 3. PREFERENTIAL PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTIONS
12 AND SELECTION OF DELEGATES.

13 Sec. 15.25.220. ELECTION OF PREFERENTIAL PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES.

14 (a) The lieutenant governor shall call a presidential primary election
15 the last Tuesday in February of the year in which the national presi-
16 dential election is held.

17 (b) The lieutenant governor shall prepare separate ballots for
18 each political party represented as provided for in sec. 230 of this
19 chapter. The ballot for a party shall be headed with the name of the
20 party and shall have as many columns as there are presidential candi-
21 dates for candidacy for that party. Each column shall be headed with
22 the name of a presidential candidate, in block letters.

23 Sec. 15.25.230. PLACING NAMES ON BALLOT. (a) The name of a
24 candidate for a political party nomination for the President of the
25 United States shall be printed on the ballots only

26 (1) by direction of the lieutenant governor who shall place
27 the name of a candidate upon the ballot when he determines in his sole
28 discretion that the candidate's candidacy is generally advocated or
29 recognized in national news media throughout the United States; or

1 (2) upon the petition for nomination presented to the
2 lieutenant governor by members of the political party of the candidate
3 in the form provided by sec. 240 of this chapter.

4 (b) The lieutenant governor may not place a candidate's name
5 on the ballot nor may a petition be presented to the governor after
6 the last Tuesday in January before the presidential election.

7 Sec. 15.25.240. PETITION FOR PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE. (a) A
8 petition for nomination of a candidate under sec. 230(2) of this
9 chapter shall have attached to it a sheet or sheets containing the
10 signatures of at least 250 registered voters of the candidate's politi-
11 cal party.

12 (b) The signature sheets shall also contain the residence
13 address and name of each registered voter whose signature appears on
14 the petition. The signature shall be certified.

15 Sec. 15.25.250. WITHDRAWAL OF CANDIDACY BY CANDIDATE. A person
16 who has been selected by the lieutenant governor or nominated as a
17 candidate by petition as provided in sec. 230 of this chapter, may have
18 his name withdrawn not later than the first Tuesday before the presi-
19 dential primary election.

20 Sec. 15.25.260. PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY NOMINATING CONVENTIONS.

21 (a) At a presidential primary nominating convention, delegates shall
22 be selected upon a proportionate basis substantially equal to that
23 percentage of the vote each presidential candidate receives in the
24 preferential presidential primary election provided for under sec. 220
25 of this chapter.

26 (b) Nominating conventions shall be held on the last Thursday
27 of May in each presidential election year.

28 Sec. 15.25.270. PROCEDURES FOR PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTIONS.
29 The provisions of the Election Code (AS 15) for a general election

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apply to a presidential primary election, except to the exact extent to which the provisions of secs. 220 - 280 of this chapter vary those provisions.

Sec. 15.25.280. DEFINITIONS. In secs. 220 - 280 of this chapter

- (1) "alternate delegate" includes alternate half-delegates;
- (2) "delegate" includes half-delegates;