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BY HACKNEY, WINGROVE, HARTIG  
AND HUBER

HOUSE BILL NO. 727

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to elections for approval or rejection of superior court and district court judges."

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

\* Section 1. AS 15.35.070 is amended to read:

Sec. 15.35.070. FILING DECLARATION BY SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE.

(a) Each judge seeking to succeed himself to office shall file with the lieutenant governor a declaration of candidacy not less than 90 days before the date fixed for the general election at which approval or rejection is requisite.

(b) Accompanying the declaration of candidacy shall be a statement compiled and certified by the clerk of the court in which the judge seeking to succeed himself in office presides the following information as to all cases involving felonies or misdemeanors, including but not limited to moving traffic violations, heard by the judge since his last approval as judge by election, or since his appointment as judge if no approval by election has taken place:

- (1) name of case and year heard;
- (2) charge, and whether guilty plea to lesser charge was allowed;
- (3) hearing, whether by judge with or without jury;
- (4) disposition;
- (5) sentence imposed, if any;
- (6) whether sentence was suspended.

1           (c) Within 30 days of receipt of the statement required under  
2 (b) of this section, the lieutenant governor shall provide for the  
3 publishing of the statement in at least one newspaper of general  
4 circulation within the judicial district in which the judge is seeking  
5 approval to succeed himself in office, or if there is no newspaper  
6 of general circulation within the district, by posting in at least  
7 five public places within the district.

8 \* Sec. 2. AS 15.35.100 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

9           (c) Accompanying the declaration of candidacy of the district  
10 judge shall be a statement as provided for superior court judges in  
11 sec. 60(b) of this chapter. The statement shall be published or  
12 posted as provided in sec. 60(b) of this chapter.  
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