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Referred: Judiciary

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST

2 SENATE BILL NO. 180

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to selection of jurors; and providing
7 for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 09.20.060 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

10 Sec. 09.20.060. DRAWING OF JURORS FOR PANEL. The presiding judge
11 of a superior or district court shall initiate the selection of a jury
12 panel by issuing a request for a jury panel list. The jury panel shall
13 be drawn from the prospective jury list for each court location. The
14 court location encompasses prospective jurors whose residences are with-
15 in a radius of 50 miles of the place designated as the site of the
16 criminal or civil trial as provided in the rules of the supreme court.
17 The judge's request shall include the number of jurors required and
18 give a starting random number drawn by lot. The starting random number
19 identifies the first member of the jury panel.

20 * Sec. 2. AS 09.20.070 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

21 Sec. 09.20.070. REJECTION OF PROSPECTIVE JURORS. (a) A judge may
22 reject the name of a person as a prospective juror, through use of ques-
23 tionnaires or otherwise, if

24 (1) a person is deceased, not qualified or disqualified; or

25 (2) a person's attendance cannot be obtained within a
26 reasonable time or because his attendance in court involves a large and
27 unnecessary expense, and that fact appears to the satisfaction of the
28 judge.

29 (b) Following rejection of a person as a prospective juror, a

1 judge may draw another name or number.

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

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