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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE BILL NO. 203

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 the administration of elections;  
7 and providing for an effective date."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 15.15.010 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 15.15.010. GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SUPERVISION BY DIRECTOR  
11 OF ELECTIONS [LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR]. (a) There is created in the  
12 Office of the Governor a division of elections. The chief elections  
13 officer of the state is the director of elections. The director shall  
14 be appointed by, and serve at the pleasure of, the governor.

15 (b) The director of elections [LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR] shall provide  
16 general administrative supervision over the conduct of state elections,  
17 and may issue any regulations under the Administrative Procedure Act  
18 (AS 44.62) necessary for the administration of elections to protect the  
19 interest of the voter and assure administrative efficiency. When the  
20 director of elections [LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR] is administering a borough  
21 or special election, he may issue regulations under AS 44.62 changing  
22 the time required for notices of election, appointment of election  
23 officials, absentee voting, canvass of the vote, and election recounts.

24 \* Sec. 2. AS 15.50.080 is amended to read:

25 Sec. 15.50.080. CERTIFICATION OF VOTE. If a majority of the  
26 votes cast on the question are in the affirmative, the director of  
27 elections [LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR] shall so certify to the governor and  
28 the governor shall issue the call for the convention.

29 \* Sec. 3. AS 44.19.030 is amended to read:

1           Sec. 44.19.030. DUTIES OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. The lieutenant  
2 governor shall

3           [(1) ADMINISTER STATE ELECTION LAWS,]

4           (2) appoint notaries public.

5       \* Sec. 4. Wherever the title or office of lieutenant governor appears  
6 in the law of the state with respect to powers, duties and responsibilities  
7 concerning state or local elections, it shall be read as the director of  
8 elections, except as otherwise provided by this Act.

9       \* Sec. 5. This Act takes effect on the effective date of amendments to  
10 secs. 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, art. XI, and to secs. 1 and 3, art. XIII, Constitu-  
11 tion of the State of Alaska, relating to the administration of elections.  
12 if approved by the voters at the next statewide election.