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and Parker

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 214 am S

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to absentee voting."

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

8 * Section 1. AS 15.20.150 is amended to read:

9 Sec. 15.20.150. CASTING VOTE BY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OR BY
10 MAIL. Upon receipt of an absentee ballot through a personal represen-
11 tative or by mail, the voter, whether in or outside the state, [IN THE
12 PRESENCE OF TWO ATTESTING WITNESSES, BOTH OF WHOM ARE AT LEAST 18 YEARS
13 OF AGE,] before an election judge, notary public, commissioned officer
14 of the armed forces including the National Guard, district judge or
15 magistrate, United States postmaster, United States assistant post-
16 master, or other person qualified to administer oaths or, if none of the
17 above-listed options is available, in the presence of a single attesting
18 witness who is at least 18 years of age, may proceed to mark the ballot
19 in secret, to place the ballot in the small blank envelope, to place the
20 small envelope in the larger envelope, and to sign the voter's certifi-
21 cate on the back of the larger envelope in the presence of the above-
22 listed official or described persons who shall sign as attesting
23 witnesses. The voter may then return the ballot properly enclosed in
24 the envelopes, by personal representative to the election official who
25 provided the ballot or by the most expeditious mail service, postmarked
26 not later than the day of the election, to the election supervisor in
27 his district.