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IN THE SENATE BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TENTH LEGISLTURE - SECOND SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to ballot titles and to propositions for constitutional amendments; and providing for an effective date."

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

* Section 1. AS 15.50.010 is amended to read:

Sec. 15.50.010. PREPARATION OF PROPOSITION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. The lieutenant governor shall prepare a proposed ballot title and proposition for each amendment to the state constitution proposed by the legislature or by a constitutional convention. Each amendment shall be confined to one subject. Within 30 days of the date of adjournment of a legislative session or of the date of adjournment of a constitutional convention, the lieutenant governor shall provide one copy of the pro-proposed ballot title and proposition for each amendment to each member of the legislature and shall make copies available to the public.

* Sec. 2. AS 15.50 is amended by adding new sections to read:

Sec. 15.50.025. OBJECTION TO PROPOSED BALLOT TITLE AND PROPOSITION. A qualified voter or the Legislature of the State of Alaska acting directly or through the Legislative Council, who believes that the proposed ballot title and proposition prepared by the lieutenant governor under sec. 10 of this chapter does not provide a true and impartial summary of the amendment proposed may, within 15 days of the date of mailing of the proposed ballot title and proposition to the members of the legislature, submit to the lieutenant governor a statement of objection to the proposed ballot title and proposition, giving

his reasons for objection, and suggesting alternative language revising the wording of the title or proposition. The lieutenant governor shall consider any objection received before ordering preparation and printing of the ballots. Not more than 10 days after the deadline for receipt of objections, he shall advise any person who submitted a statement of objection to the proposed ballot title and proposition of his final decision.

Sec. 15.50.027. JUDICIAL REVIEW. A qualified voter or the Legislature of the State of Alaska acting directly or through the Legislative Council, who has filed with the lieutenant governor a statement of objection to a proposed ballot title and proposition as provided in sec. 25 of this chapter and who believes that the ballot title and proposition as finally prepared does not provide a true and impartial summary of the amendment proposed may bring an action in the superior court to have the determination reviewed. An action shall be commenced within 45 days of the date of mailing of the proposed ballot title and proposition to members of the legislature as provided in sec. 10 of this chapter.

* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-070(c).