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1 IN THE SENATE BY RAY AND KELLY

2 SENATE BILL NO. 252

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to registration to vote and to
7 applications for a ballot."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 15.07.070 is amended by adding a new subsection to
10 read:

11 (g) In preparing forms necessary to achieve the purposes of this
12 chapter, the director shall ensure that a form used for the registra-
13 tion of a voter also permits the person to request the ballots for
14 each state election to be held that year and the director may accept a
15 single application from a person that requests registration and absen-
16 tee ballots for each state election to be held that year.

17 * Sec. 2. AS 15.20 is amended by adding a new section to read:

18 Sec. 15.20.082. ABSENTEE VOTING BY MAIL FROM OUTSIDE THE UNITED
19 STATES. (a) The director shall prepare special absentee ballots
20 under this section for use in a state primary, state general election,
21 and state special election where the voter expects to be living,
22 working, or traveling outside the United States at the time of the
23 election and unable to return the ballot by air mail within the time
24 required by this chapter.

25 (b) The director may not distribute an absentee ballot prepared
26 under this section earlier than 60 days before the date of the elec-
27 tion. The director shall identify on the ballot prepared under this
28 section the candidates, offices, ballot issues, and ballot questions
29 then expected by the director to be on the ballot. Except as provided

1 in AS 15.25.070, a voter may use the ballot to write in the name of an
2 eligible candidate for each office and vote on the ballot issues and
3 questions appearing on the ballot.

4 (c) Notwithstanding AS 15.20.081(b), an application for a ballot
5 under this section may be postmarked more than six months before an
6 election but the application shall be postmarked during the year in
7 which the election will be held.