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SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

BILL NUMBER 378

SPONSOR GOV/RULES

BILL TITLE Voter qualification and registration

DATE REFERRED 1-8-90

HEARING SCHEDULED 2-26-90

FISCAL NOTE PREPARED ✓

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SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT
FIRST COMMITTEE OF REFERRAL

DATE: January 8, 1990

FURTHER: Judiciary

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State Affairs Committee considered

SENATE BILL NO. 378

"An Act relating to voter qualification and registration for state elections; and relating to computation of time for purposes of AS 15."

and recommended:

- replace with _____ (CS) SB 378 same title
- attached amendment(s) new title
- _____ letter of intent adopted
- do pass
- do not pass
- no recommendation
- individual recommendations
- further referral to _____

ATTACHES NEW FISCAL NOTE(S):

Department(s)/Date:

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fiscal note(s) _____

zero fiscal note(s) _____
Office of the Treasurer 1.8.90

appropriation-no fiscal note

Governor's bill w/fiscal note

SIGNING DO PASS:

OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:

Lee Adams

Paul Lee (No Rec)
Tom Kelly (No Rec)

[Signature]
do pass

Chair: Signature and Recommendation

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Senate State Affairs Committee

MEMORANDUM

TO: Senate State Affairs Committee Members
FROM: Senator Pat Pourchot
RE: Monday, February 26 Committee Hearing
DATE: February 24, 1990

On Monday, February 26 at 1:30 p.m. in the Beltz Room the Senate State Affairs Committee will hear the following bills:

SB 378. An Act relating to voter qualification and registration for state elections; and relating to computation of time for purposes of AS 15.
This bill, introduced at the request of the Governor, would allow qualified individuals voting in person before an election official, who have been residents of the state for at least 30 days, but who have failed to register in time for election, to register on election day and to vote in statewide elections for statewide candidates and measures. SB 378 also clarifies that absentee ballots are subject to the same review process and are counted in the same manner as questioned ballots. A clarification of the "computation of time rule" is added to provide that if a deadline for an election activity or requirement falls on a weekend or holiday, the deadline is extended to the first weekday after the weekend/holiday.

SB 370. An Act expanding the Public Employees Retirement Board and the Teachers' Retirement Board to include two physician members to hear disability appeals; dissolving the Public Employees' and Teachers' Disability Review Board; and providing for an effective date.
This bill, introduced at the request of the Governor, repeals AS 39.36, which was enacted in 1982 to establish the Disability Review Board (DRB) as an advisory board to the Public Employees Retirement Board (PERB), the Teachers' Retirement Board (TRB) and the administrator of the state retirement systems on disability claims. A high percentage of appeals to PERB have been contrary to DRB's advice. This bill would dissolve the DRB and provide for the appointment of physician members to serve on PERB and TRB only for the purpose of hearing appeals involving medical issues.

Proposed CS for SS SB 150. An Act establishing a senior housing office and loan program in the Department of Community and Regional Affairs; and authorizing the issuance of bonds for senior housing.

Senator Duncan has revised the previous proposed CS, to include the following: clarification of AHFC's and the Department of Community and Regional Affairs roles in setting regulations, approving loans and administering loans. This bill sets a \$30 million bond cap, specifies the interest rates on construction loans and permanent loans and clarifies how the Senior Housing Revolving Fund works.

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TELECONFERENCE; Anchorage LIO. NOTE!! I set a 3 minute limit on individuals and a 5 minute limit on groups. You always have the power to extend but I wanted to keep Charles McKee under control.

NOTIFIED; * indicates will testify

*Linda Edgeworth: Division of Elections
Jim Crawford: Republican Party
John Pugh: Democratic Party
League of Women Voters

FYI:

National Democratic Party endorses this concept. Locally, it will probably favor whoever is best financed to "get out the vote". . .with ARCO coming on so politically strong this year, may damage the Demos in the governors race. (Comments from John Pugh)

No response yet from Crawford.

Congress is considering this issue currently for the Presidential race.

ANCH. LIO on line: Jim Crawford or League of Women Voters may be on line.

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Unrelated Sections:

Section 8 Computation of Time

AS 01.10.080 states how the time in which an act is to be done is to be computed, extends a "deadline" date that falls on a weekend or holiday to the first working day after the weekend or holiday. Unfortunately, that rule only covers the typical situation of counting forward from a particular triggering event or date. However, since a number of election deadlines are determined by counting backwards from a given date, such as election day, the computation of time under Title 1 can have the effect of requiring voters and candidates to perform acts earlier than intended. The amendment clarifies that for Title 15, the computation of time rule always extends the deadline until the first weekday following the weekend or holiday.

Section 9 Treating Absentee In Person Ballot in the Same Manner as Questioned Ballots

This language is almost identical to that found in AS 15.07.090 (d), (Section 7 of the bill), and clearly provides that the handling of absentee ballots will be the same as that stipulated for questioned ballots. This new provision only serves to codify existing practice.

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The Honorable Pat Pourchot
Chairman, Senate State Affairs Committee
Alaska State Senate
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Dear Senator Pourchot:

I am most pleased that the Rules Committee has chosen to introduce Senate Bill 378 at the request of the Governor. Senate Bill 378, "An Act relating to voter qualifications and registration for state elections; and relating to the computation of time rule for purposes of Title 15," has the full support of the Division of Elections. I would appreciate your consideration of its being scheduled for hearing in your committee at the earliest opportunity.

The intent of this bill is to increase voter participation. The bill would allow qualified individuals voting in person before an election official, who have been residents of the State for at least 30 days, but who have failed to register in time for the election, to register on election day, and to vote in statewide elections for statewide candidates and measures.

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While much of the bill is dedicated to conforming amendments related to this proposal, two other issues are addressed.

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For your review I have enclosed a copy of the zero fiscal note for this bill, as well as comments prepared by the Division of Elections in support of the measure.

We will look forward to working with you, your committee and your staff this session. Please contact me if we can provide further information or input.

Sincerely,



David Koivuniemi
Director

Enclosures

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

1 IN THE SENATE

CS. SENATE BILL NO. 378

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to voter qualification and registra-
7 tion for state elections; and relating to computation
8 of time for purposes of AS 15."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 15.05.010 is amended to read:

11 Sec. 15.05.010. VOTER QUALIFICATION GENERALLY. A person may
12 vote at any election who

13 (1) is a citizen of the United States;

14 (2) is 18 years of age or older;

15 (3) Repealed, sec. 38, ch. 116, SLA 1972;

16 (4) has been a resident of the state [AND OF THE ELECTION
17 DISTRICT IN WHICH THE PERSON SEEKS TO VOTE] for at least 30 days just
18 before the election; [AND]

19 (5) Repealed, sec. 1, ch. 15, SLA 1970;

20 (6) has been a resident of the election district in which
21 the person seeks to vote for at least 30 days just before the
22 election; and

23 (7) has registered before the election as required under
24 AS 16.07 and is not registered to vote in another jurisdiction.

25 * Sec. 2. AS 15.05.012 is amended to read:

26 Sec. 15.05.012. VOTER QUALIFICATION FOR PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

27 A person who is otherwise qualified under AS 15.05.010 but who has not
28 been a resident of the state, or of the election district in which the
29 person seeks to vote, for at least 30 days preceding the date of a

*Amendment:
Jan 1, 1991
effective date*

1 presidential election is entitled to register and vote for presiden-
2 tial and vice-presidential candidates.

3 * Sec. 3. AS 15.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:

4 Sec. 15.05.017. VOTER QUALIFICATIONS FOR STATEWIDE ELECTIONS. A
5 person who is qualified under AS 15.05.010(1) - (4) but who has not
6 registered under AS 15.07 at least 30 days before the date of a state-
7 wide primary, general, or special election may vote for statewide
8 candidates and ballot propositions if the person:

9 (1) registers and votes a questioned ballot at a polling
10 place on election day; or

11 (2) registers and votes by absentee ballot in person under
12 AS 15.20.061.

13 * Sec. 4. AS 15.07.070(d) is amended to read:

14 (d) Qualified voters may register in person before a registra-
15 tion official at any time throughout the year. Except as provided in
16 AS 15.05.012, 15.05.014, and 15.05.017, [EXCEPT THAT] a person regis-
17 tering within the 30 days preceding an election may not vote at that
18 election. Upon receipt and approval of the registration forms, the
19 director or the election supervisor shall forward to the voter an
20 acknowledgment in the form of a registration card, and the voter's
21 name shall immediately be placed on the master register located in the
22 office of the director and on the district register located in the
23 office of the election supervisor. Names of persons registering 30 or
24 more days before an election shall be placed on the official registra-
25 tion list for that election.

26 * Sec. 5. AS 15.07.090(b) is amended to read:

27 (b) A voter whose [SHALL REREGISTER IF THE VOTER'S] registration
28 is cancelled for failure to vote in prior elections as provided in
29 AS 15-07.130 must reregister. Except as provided in AS 15.05.012 and

1 15.05.017, the [THE] reregistration may not be made later than 30 days
2 preceding an election.

3 * Sec. 6. AS 15.07.090(c) is amended to read:

4 (c) The director shall transfer the registration of a voter from
5 one precinct to another within an election district when requested by
6 the voter. The request shall be made 30 or more days before the
7 election day. The director shall transfer the registration of a voter
8 from one election district to another when requested by the voter.
9 The request must be made 30 or more days before the election day and
10 the voter must reside in the new election district for at least 30
11 days in order to vote in that district's election.

12 * Sec. 7. AS 15.07.090(d) is amended to read:

13 (d) A person who claims to be a registered voter, but for whom
14 no evidence of registration in the precinct can be found, shall be
15 granted the right to vote in the same manner as that of a questioned
16 voter and the ballot shall be treated in the same manner. The ballot
17 shall be considered to be a "questioned ballot" and shall be so des-
18 ignated. The director or the director's representative shall deter-
19 mine whether the voter is registered in the election district before
20 counting the ballot. A voter who has failed to obtain a transfer as
21 provided in (c) of this section shall vote a "questioned ballot." [IN
22 THE PRECINCT IN WHICH THE VOTER RESIDES.]

23 * Sec. 8. AS 15.15 is amended by adding a new section to read:

24 Sec. 15.15.015. COMPUTATION OF TIME. Notwithstanding
25 AS 01.10.080, if the last day of a time period in which an act is
26 required to be done under this title falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or
27 holiday, the last day is extended to the first weekday following the
28 Saturday, Sunday, or holiday.

29 * Sec. 9. AS 15.20.061 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

1 (f) A person who claims to be a registered voter, but for whom
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Unrelated Sections:

Section 8 Computation of Time

AS 01.10.080 states how the time in which an act is to be done is to be computed, extends a "deadline" date that falls on a weekend or holiday to the first working day after the weekend or holiday. Unfortunately, that rule only covers the typical situation of counting forward from a particular triggering event or date. However, since a number of election deadlines are determined by counting backwards from a given date, such as election day, the computation of time under Title 1 can have the effect of requiring voters and candidates to perform acts earlier than intended. The amendment clarifies that for Title 15, the computation of time rule always extends the deadline until the first weekday following the weekend or holiday.

Section 9 Treating Absentee In Person Ballot in the Same Manner as Questioned Ballots

This language is almost identical to that found in AS 15.07.090 (d), (Section 7 of the bill), and clearly provides that the handling of absentee ballots will be the same as that stipulated for questioned ballots. This new provision only serves to codify existing practice.

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST:

Revision Date: 3/1/90 Agency Affected: Office of the Governor
 Title: Voter qualification and registration for state elections BRU: Elections
 Sponsor: Rules/Governor Components: I Elections
 Requestor: Rules/Governor

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 91	FY 92	FY 93	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
CAPITAL						
REVENUE						

FUNDING: (Thousands of Dollars)

GENERAL FUND						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : (Attach a separate page if necessary)

The fiscal impact for FY 90 is -0-

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 Division: Division of Elections Date: 3/1/90
 Approved by Commissioner: [Signature] Date: 3-1-90
 Agency: _____

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SB 378

Linda Edgeworth
(+ Supreme Court)
votes questioned or absentee

absentee and questioned ballots to
be handled the same.

Federal Legislation:

- No purging
- ~~but~~ Register by mail

30 day pre-registration — guarantees
residency

Pat Purged people can ~~also~~ vote

Kelly effective date Jan. 1, 1991

Partial count voting

Uehling Airport voting

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LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

February 27, 1990

SUBJECT: Voter qualification and registration for state elections, etc. (CSSB 378 (State Affairs))

TO: Senator Pat Pourchot
Chair, Senate State Affairs Committee

FROM: Richard A. Bradley
Legislative Counsel 

You have requested that we provide your committee with a CS for the governor's bill on the above subject. We have done so; in the process we also made some technical changes to the bill.

We also had some reservations about other sections of law that seem implicated by the bill but that were not amended in the bill. Because your request did not ask that these matters be dealt with and because the need for the suggested amendments was not clear, we have not addressed these matters. But we believe that subsequent committees of reference may wish to review these questions.

AS 15.20.015 is implicated by the amendment to AS 15.05.-010(4) in Section 1 of the bill.

AS 15.07.030(b), AS 15.07.040, and 15.07.160 are also implicated by the changes made in the bill.

If the division of elections is satisfied with the bill and the committees of reference concur, then we have no difficulties.

But we believe that a subsequent committee of reference may wish to review this matter.

If I may be of further assistance, please advise.

RAB:pl
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Enclosure