



# LAWS OF ALASKA

2005

**Source**  
HCS SB 14(STA)

**Chapter No.**  
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## AN ACT

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

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3 \* **Section 1.** AS 29.26.170(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) Unless substantially the same measure is adopted, when a petition seeks an  
5 initiative vote, the clerk shall submit the matter to the voters at the next regular  
6 election **or, if already scheduled, special election** occurring **not** [NO] sooner than **60**  
7 [45] days after certification of the petition. If no [REGULAR] election **is scheduled**  
8 **to occur** [OCCURS] within 75 days after the certification of a petition **and the**  
9 **governing body determines it is in the best interest of the municipality,** the  
10 governing body **may by ordinance order** [SHALL HOLD] a special election **to be**  
11 **held on the matter before the next election that is already scheduled** [WITHIN 75  
12 DAYS], but not sooner than **60** [45] days after certification **of the petition.**

13 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 29.26.170(b) is amended to read:

14 (b) If the governing body adopts substantially the same measure, the petition  
15 is void, and **the** matter initiated may not be placed before the voters.

1 \* **Sec. 3.** AS 29.26.180(a) is amended to read:

2 (a) Unless the ordinance or resolution is repealed, when a petition seeks a  
3 referendum vote, the clerk shall submit the matter to the voters at the next **regular**  
4 election **or, if already scheduled, special election** occurring **not** [NO] sooner than **60**  
5 [45] days after certification of the petition. If no election **is scheduled to occur**  
6 [OCCURS] within 75 days **after** [OF] certification of a petition **and the governing**  
7 **body determines it is in the best interest of the municipality**, the governing body  
8 **may by ordinance order** [SHALL HOLD] a special election **to be held on the**  
9 **matter before the next election that is already scheduled** [WITHIN 75 DAYS], but  
10 not sooner than **60** [45] days after certification **of the petition**.