

AMENDMENT # 5

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TO: CSHB 129(STA)

BY REPRESENTATIVE EASTMAN

1 Page 1, line 1, following "registration;":
2 Insert "relating to voting by mail;"
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4 Page 4, following line 15:

5 Insert new bill sections to read:

6 ** Sec. 6. AS 15.20.081(c) is amended to read:

7 (c) Except as provided in (m) of this section, after [AFTER] receipt of an
8 application, the director shall send the absentee ballot and other absentee voting
9 material to the applicant by the most expeditious mail service. However, if the
10 application requests that an absentee ballot for a state election be sent by electronic
11 transmission, the director shall send the absentee ballot and other absentee voting
12 material to the applicant by electronic transmission. Except as provided in (k) of this
13 section, the absentee ballot and other absentee voting material shall be sent as soon as
14 they are ready for distribution. If the absentee ballot and other absentee voting
15 material are mailed to the applicant, the return envelope sent with the ballot and other
16 materials shall be addressed to the election supervisor in the district in which the voter
17 is a resident.

18 * Sec. 7. AS 15.20.081 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

19 (m) If mail sent by the division to a voter at an address is returned as
20 undeliverable, the division may not send the voter an absentee ballot at that address
21 unless the voter appears in person before a registration official to verify the address,
22 presents a current driver's license, state identification card, or other current and valid
23 photo identification, and requests that the division send an absentee ballot to the

1 address.

2 * **Sec. 8.** AS 15.20.800(b) is amended to read:

3 (b) If the director conducts an election under (a) of this section by mail, the
4 director shall send a ballot for each election described in (a) of this section to each
5 person whose name appears on the official registration list prepared under
6 AS 15.07.125 for that election. The director shall send ballots by first class,
7 nonforwardable mail. The ballot shall be sent to the address stated on the official
8 registration list unless

9 (1) the voter has notified the director or an election supervisor of a
10 different address to which the ballot should be sent; or

11 (2) the address on the official registration list has been identified as
12 being an undeliverable address **and the voter has not verified the address as**
13 **provided in AS 15.20.081(m).**"

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15 Renumber the following bill section accordingly.