

**HOUSE BILL NO. 174**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

**BY REPRESENTATIVES MERRICK, Rasmussen**

**Introduced: 4/14/21**

**Referred: Judiciary, State Affairs**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to proposing and enacting laws by initiative."**

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

3 \* **Section 1.** AS 15.45.240 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

4 (b) The provisions of an initiative are not severable after being circulated  
5 under AS 15.45.110. An initiative petition may not contain a severability clause. If a  
6 court finds a provision of an initiative petition unconstitutional during a review under  
7 (a) of this section, the court shall order the lieutenant governor to reject the entire  
8 initiative petition and prohibit the placement of the initiative on the ballot.