

Proposition 2 Appears Certain To Be Voted in, Rural Credited

Contrary to election night returns, elimination of a state requirement that all persons be able to read or speak the English language in order to vote in state and local elections appears certain.

As of Tuesday morning, the latest reports showed 31,615 voting for elimination and 31,207 against.

These totals, a spokesman in

Juneau said, were made with about 16 to 20 precincts of the of the 410 to 416 precincts statewide not being included.

An official tally is expected by Tuesday night or Wednesday morning.

The Juneau spokesman added that most of the bush precincts voted in favor of elimination of the literacy requirement.

Listed as Ballot No. 2 on the

primary ballot, the proposition, if passed, will amend the State constitution to eliminate the requirement.