

Petersen files for House of Representatives

Former State Representative Larry Petersen, of Fort Yukon, has filed as a Democrat for the State House District 19 seat being vacated by lieutenant governor candidate Leslie "Red" Swanson of Nenana.

Priority issues targeted in Petersen's campaign include local benefit from gas line and petrochemical development, improved public services, and protection of game and environmental resources.

Petersen told the Tundra Times, "Alaska must benefit from our resources with jobs for our residents, job training for our youth, impact aid for incorporated and unincorporated communities, use of Alaskan businesses for pipeline related services, development of satellite television and communications for small communities, more funds for school development, better fire and police protection, and better air service, airports, maintenance and roads."

The candidate also indicated he favored development of a



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petrochemical industry to provide year-round employment opportunities and agricultural development, opening of the north slope haul road, and providing limitation on the growth of government.