

Party Primary Election Date Is Extended to June 1

Governor William A. Egan signed five more bills into law, one of which changes the date of Alaska's party primary election from the Tuesday after the second Monday to the fourth Tuesday in August, and the deadline for filing for office from May 1 to June 1.

This bill, HCSCSSB 50 amended, becomes Chapter 26, Session Laws of Alaska, 1966. In his letter informing the Senate and House leadership of his signing of the measure, the Governor said:

"I believe this statute is an important one, in the overall interest. Particularly do I feel the change to the June 1 closing time is most appropriate this year.

"As you know, there is presently before the courts of Alaska a challenge to my re-

apportionment proclamation. Extension of the filing date for party nomination to June 1 should alleviate possibility that consideration of this matter by the courts might extend beyond the time set by previous provision of law."