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House District 1 Candidates Currently Tied After 15-Day Count

NOVEMBER 21, 2018 JUNEAU, AK- The bi-partisan State Review Board has completed its review of all ballots from House District 1, with the exception of absentee ballots. Absentee ballots will be audited on Friday, November 23. Candidates Barton LeBon and Kathryn Dodge are currently tied with 2,661 votes each. The board thoroughly reviewed the election materials from the district and these results **are still preliminary until certification**. The deadline for the division to receive overseas ballots was on Wednesday, November 21 (15 days after the election). Following mail delivery on Wednesday, the division did not receive any additional overseas ballots for House District 1.

The division has notified both candidates of the current tie and will conduct a recount per state law. If the tie is certified, a recount would take place in the director's office in Juneau on Friday, November 30. The ballots will be thoroughly scrutinized by the State Review Board. Per state law, in the conduct of a recount, the director will open and count properly cast absentee ballots that are received after the 15-day count, but before the completion of a recount.

If the results of the recount re-confirm the tie, the prevailing candidate will be determined under state law.

The State Review Board will reconvene on Friday at 12 p.m. in Juneau.

Results are unofficial until certification.

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