1056-11-1900 Mark Kozek\* (mkozek@whittier.edu), Mathematics Department, Whittier College, Whittier, CA 90608-0634. An asymptotic formula for Goldbach's conjecture with monic polynomials. Let f(x) be a monic polynomial in  $\mathbb{Z}[x]$  of degree d > 1. Hayes (1965) proved a form of Goldbach's conjecture with monic polynomials: there exist irreducible monic polynomials g(x) and h(x) in  $\mathbb{Z}[x]$  with the property that f(x) = g(x) + h(x). We give a proof that the number  $\Re(y)$  of representations of f(x) as a sum of two irreducible monic polynomials g(x) and

h(x) in  $\mathbb{Z}[x]$ , with the coefficients of g(x) and h(x) bounded in absolute value by y, is asymptotic to  $(2y)^{d-1}$ . (Received September 22, 2009)