

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 40

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

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Referred: Finance

A RESOLUTION

1 Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska providing that
2 the governor, United States senators, United States representative, and electors of
3 the President and Vice-President of the United States be elected by a majority
4 vote.

5 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

6 * **Section 1.** Article III, sec. 3, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended to read:

7 **Section 3. Election.** The governor shall be chosen by the qualified voters of
8 the State at a general election. [THE CANDIDATE RECEIVING THE GREATEST
9 NUMBER OF VOTES SHALL BE GOVERNOR.]

10 * **Sec. 2.** Article V, sec. 3, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended to read:

11 **Section 3. Methods of Voting; Majority Vote Required; Election Contests.**

12 Methods of voting, including absentee voting, shall be prescribed by law. Secrecy of
13 voting shall be preserved. **For the offices of governor and lieutenant governor,**
14 **United States senator, United States representative, and elector of President and**
15 **Vice-President of the United States, the candidate receiving a majority of votes**
16 **cast for each office shall be elected. Procedures** [THE PROCEDURE] for **arriving**

1 **at a majority vote, and for** determining election contests, with right of appeal to the
2 courts, shall be prescribed by law.

3 * **Sec. 3.** The amendments proposed by this resolution shall be placed before the voters of
4 the state at the next general election in conformity with art. XIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the
5 State of Alaska, and the election laws of the state.