

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Introduced: 2/2/09

Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary, Finance

**A RESOLUTION**

1   **Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska to correct obsolete**  
2   **references to the office of secretary of state by substituting references to the office of**  
3   **lieutenant governor.**

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

5    \* **Section 1.** Article II, sec. 5, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended to read:

6           **Section 5. Disqualifications.** No legislator may hold any other office or  
7           position of profit under the United States or the State. During the term for which  
8           elected and for one year thereafter, no legislator may be nominated, elected, or  
9           appointed to any other office or position of profit which has been created, or the salary  
10          or emoluments of which have been increased, while he was a member. This section  
11          shall not prevent any person from seeking or holding the office of governor,  
12          **lieutenant governor** [SECRETARY OF STATE], or member of Congress. This  
13          section shall not apply to employment by or election to a constitutional convention.

14   \* **Sec. 2.** Article III, sec. 25, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended to read:

15           **Section 25. Department Heads.** The head of each principal department shall

1 be a single executive unless otherwise provided by law. He shall be appointed by the  
2 governor, subject to confirmation by a majority of the members of the legislature in  
3 joint session, and shall serve at the pleasure of the governor, except as otherwise  
4 provided in this article with respect to the **lieutenant governor** [SECRETARY OF  
5 STATE]. The heads of all principal departments shall be citizens of the United States.

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