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Alaska Constitutional Convention
Committee Proposal No. 17/c
January 26, 1956

RESOLVED, that the following sections be adopted as part of the schedule of the Alaska State Constitution:

SCHEDULE

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Appointment of First Legislators
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Section 27. The provisions of Section 5 of Article II of this constitution shall not prohibit the appointment of any member of the legislature first organized under this constitution to any state civil office or position created by this constitution or created during his first term.

Section 28. Ordinance II. Since the election of two United States Senators and a Representative to the Congress of the United States is a necessary and proper measure in preparation for the admission of Alaska as a State of the Union, it is hereby ordered as follows:

(1) Upon ratification of this constitution by the people of Alaska, and separate approval of this ordinance by a majority of all the
votes cast for and against this ordinance, there shall be chosen at the general election immediately following such ratification two persons to serve as members of the Senate of the United States, one for the regular term, expiring on January 3, 1963, and the other for an initial short term, expiring on January 3, 1961, unless when they are seated the Senate prescribes earlier expiration dates for one or both of them, and one person to serve as a member of the House of Representatives of the United States for the regular term of two years, expiring January 3, 1959.

(2) Until the admission of Alaska into the Union as a State, the persons nominated and elected to these offices may also hold or be nominated and elected to other offices of the territory or of the United States.

(3) The applicable laws of the territory shall govern nominations and elections to these offices, provided that the Director of Finance shall place on the ballot for the primary election to be held on the 24th of April, 1956 the names of qualifying candidates for party nomination therefor who file their declaration
of candidacy on or before February 20, 1956.

The Director of Finance shall place on the ballot for the general election the name of the candidate of each political party receiving the largest number of votes for the respective office at the primary election, and also the names of qualifying independent candidates who file a declaration of their candidacy prior to February 20, 1956.

(4) If for any reason primary elections do not serve as a basis for party nominations to these offices for the general election, then one nomination to each office may be made at a party convention convened by each of the political parties of Alaska. Each such party shall certify its candidates to the Director of Finance of the territory on or before July 1, 1956, who shall place the names of the candidates on the ballot for the next general election. The names of qualified independent candidates for these offices shall also be placed on the ballot for the next general election provided that the filing shall be accomplished on or before July 1, 1956.

(5) The applications for filing and the
ballot form shall clearly indicate whether the candidates for United States Senator are running for the office carrying the regular or the short term. The candidate receiving the largest number of the votes cast for the office shall be elected. The duties and emoluments of these offices shall be as provided by law. The unexpended and unobligated funds appropriated to the Alaska Constitutional Convention by Chapter 46, Session Laws of Alaska, 1945, may be used to defray expenses attributable to elections under this ordinance.

(6) Should the Senators and the Representative be elected and seated in the Congress of the United States after the Congress approves this constitution but before the first elections are held for elective state offices under this constitution, then the following section shall be substituted for Article ___, Section ___ of the constitution.

"This constitution shall take effect upon admission of Alaska into the Union as a state in the following manner:

Section____ (re. first election of state officers) shall take effect immediately

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and the rest of the constitution shall
take effect on the date that the elected
Governor of the state takes office."

(7) Each qualified voter who offers to
vote upon this constitution shall be given a
ballot by the election judges which in substance
shall contain the following proposition:

SHALL ORDINANCE NO. (TENNESSEE
PLAN) SET FORTH IN THE PROPOSED
CONSTITUTION FOR THE STATE OF
ALASKA, CALLING FOR THE IMMEDIATE
ELECTION OF TWO UNITED STATES
SENATORS AND ONE UNITED STATES
REPRESENTATIVE, BE ADOPTED?
Alaska Constitutional Convention  
Committee Proposal No. 17/c/Revised

Introduced by Committee on Ordinances and Transitional Measures

RESOLVED, that the following sections be adopted as part of the schedule of the Alaska State Constitution:

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of Alaska as a State of the Union, it is hereby ordered, pursuant to Chapter 46, Sessions Laws of Alaska, 1945, and in order to carry out the purposes of this Convention, as follows:

(1) Upon ratification of this constitution by the people of Alaska, and separate approval of this ordinance by a majority of all the votes cast for and against this ordinance, there shall be chosen at the general election immediately following such ratification two persons to serve as members of the Senate of the United States, one for the regular term, expiring on January 3, 1963, and the other for an initial short term, expiring on January 3, 1961, unless when they are seated the Senate prescribes earlier expiration dates for one or both of them, and one person to serve as a member of the House of Representatives of the United States for the regular term of two years, expiring January 3, 1959. Such persons shall meet the qualifications for these offices as set forth in the Constitution of the United States and shall be qualified voters of Alaska.

(2) Until the admission of Alaska into the Union as a State, the persons nominated
and elected to these offices may also hold or be nominated and elected to other offices of the territory or of the United States, provided that such a person shall receive the compensation assigned to only one of the positions held.

(3) Except as provided herein, the laws of the territory governing primary and general elections applicable to the Office of Delegate to Congress shall, to the extent applicable, govern elections to these offices, and territorial and other officials shall perform their duties with reference to these elections accordingly.

(4) Primary elections for these offices shall be held on the 24th of April 1956. Any person desiring to become a candidate for these offices shall file a declaration of candidacy and pay a filing fee of $40.00 in the office of the Director of Finance on or before the 20th of February 1956. The Director of Finance shall certify all declarations of candidacy for these offices to the Clerks of the Court for the respective Judicial Divisions and to the Secretary of the Alaska Constitutional Convention within five days after the same are filed.
The Secretary of the Convention shall arrange for the preparation of ballots bearing the names of all candidates for these offices in general conformity with the provisions of law for the preparation of primary ballots as prescribed in Section 38-4-4, ACLA 1949, and for the distribution of Official and Sample ballots to the Clerks of the Court for the respective Judicial Divisions. Across the head of each ballot shall be printed in large type the words "Official (or Sample) Primary Ballot", and in smaller type, "Candidates for U. S. Senate and House of Representatives". The ballot shall include a statement referring to this ordinance and the purpose thereof. The Secretary may supply the Clerks of the Court with such additional election supplies as may be necessary. The Director of Finance shall, on or before June 15, 1956, certify to the Clerks of the Court of each Division the names of all candidates who have been nominated for these offices, including the names of qualifying independent candidates who file a declaration of their candidacy on or before February 20, 1956.
(5) If primary elections for these offices are not held in all Divisions of the Territory of if, for any other reason, the Director of Finance has not, by June 25, 1956, certified to the Clerks of the Court of the respective Divisions, the names of the party nominees for these offices, then party nominations for each of these offices may be made by party conventions in the same manner as set forth in Section 38-4-11, ACLA 1949, for filling a vacancy in a party nomination occurring in a primary election. The Chairman and Secretary of the Central Committee of each major political party shall immediately upon such nominations being made and in no event later than July 15, 1956, certify by telegraph or otherwise the names of the candidates nominated to the Clerk of the Court in each Division, who shall place the names of the candidates on the ballot for the general election. The names of qualifying independent candidates for these offices shall also be placed on the ballot for the next general election if they have filed a declaration of their candidacy with the Director of Finance on or before July 15, 1956.
(6) The applications for filing and the ballot form shall clearly indicate whether the candidates for United States Senator are running for the office carrying the regular or the short term. The candidate receiving the largest number of the votes cast for the office shall be elected. The unexpended and unobligated funds appropriated to the Alaska Constitutional Convention by Chapter 46, Session Laws of Alaska, 1945, may be used to defray expenses attributable to elections under this ordinance.

(7) Should the Senators and the Representative be elected and seated in the Congress of the United States after the Congress approves this constitution but before the first elections are held for elective state offices under this constitution, then the following section shall be substituted for Article______, Section______ of the constitution.

"This constitution shall take effect upon admission of Alask into the Union as a state in the following manner:
Section______ (re. first election of state officers) shall take effect immediately and the rest of the constitution shall
take effect on the date that the elected Governor of the state takes office."

(8) Each qualified voter who offers to vote upon this constitution shall be given a ballot by the election judges which in substance shall contain the following proposition:

SHALL ORDINANCE NO. II (TENNESSEE PLAN) SET FORTH IN THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTION FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA, CALLING FOR THE IMMEDIATE ELECTION OF TWO UNITED STATES _________ YES ________ SENATORS AND ONE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, BE ADOPTED? NO
CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF ALASKA

RESOLVED, that the following sections be adopted as a part of the schedule of the Alaska State Constitution:

ARTICLE XIV

SCHEDULE

Alaska-Tennessee Plan

1. Section ____. The election of senators and a representative to serve in the Congress of the United States being necessary and proper to prepare for the admission of Alaska as a State of the Union, the following is hereby ordained, pursuant to Chapter 46, SLA 1955:

Referendum

3. (1) Each qualified voter who offers to vote upon this constitution at the ratification election shall be given a separate ballot which, in substance, shall contain the following proposition:

10. "Shall ordinance No.____ Alaska-Tennessee Plan of the Alaska Constitutional Convention, calling for the immediate election
of two United States senators and one United States representative, be adopted?"

(2) Upon ratification of the constitution by the people of Alaska and separate approval of this ordinance by a majority of all votes cast for and against it, the balance of this ordinance shall become effective.

(3) Two persons to serve as members of the Senate of the United States and one person to serve as a member of the House of Representatives of the United States shall be chosen at the 1956 general election.

(4) One senator shall be chosen for the regular term expiring on January 3, 1963, and the other for an initial short term expiring on January 3, 1961, unless when they are seated the Senate prescribes other expiration dates. The representative shall be chosen for the regular term of two years expiring January 3, 1959.

(5) Candidates for senators and representative shall have the qualifications prescribed in the Constitution of the United States and shall be qualified voters of Alaska.

(6) Until the admission of Alaska as a state, the senators and representative may also hold or be nominated and elected to other offices of the United States or of the Territory of Alaska, provided that no person may receive compensation for more than one office.
(7) Except as provided herein, the laws of the Territory governing elections to the office of delegate to congress shall, to the extent applicable, govern the election of the senators and representative. Territorial and other officials shall perform their duties with reference to this election accordingly.

(8) All candidates for senators and representative must file declarations of candidacy with the director of finance of the Territory on or before June 30, 1956. Each candidate shall pay a filing fee of forty dollars.

(9) Independent candidates who meet the requirements set forth in Section 38-5-10, ACLA 1949, may file for the office of senator or representative.

(10) Party nominations for senators and representative shall, for this election only, be made by party conventions in the manner prescribed in Section 38-4-11, ACLA 1949, for filling a vacancy in a party nomination occurring in a primary election. The chairman and secretary of the central committee of each political party shall certify the names of the candidate nominated to the director of finance of the Territory on or before June 30, 1956.

(11) The director of finance shall certify the names of all candidates for senators and representative to the clerks of court by July 15, 1956. The clerks of
court shall cause the names to be printed on the
official ballot for the general election. Independent candidates shall be identified as provided in
Section 38-5-10, ACLA 1949. Candidates nominated
at party conventions shall be identified with appropriate party designations as is provided by law for
nominations at primary elections.

(12) Each declaration of candidacy shall clearly indicate whether the candidate for senator is
seeking the regular or the short term. The ballot
form shall group separately the candidates seeking
the senate long term, those seeking the senate short
term and candidates for representative. The candidate for each office receiving the largest number of
votes cast for that office shall be elected.

(13) The duties and emoluments of the offices
of senator and representative shall be as prescribed
by law.

(14) The president of the Alaska Constitutional
Convention, or person designated by him, may assist
in carrying out the purposes of this ordinance. The
unexpended and unobligated funds appropriated to the
Alaska Constitutional Convention by Chapter 46, SLA
1955, may be used to defray expenses attributable
to the referendum and the election required by this
ordinance.

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(15) If the Congress of the United States seats the senators and representative elected pursuant to this ordinance and approves the constitution prior to the first election of state officers, then Section 1 of Article XIV shall be void and shall be replaced by the following:

"The provisions of the constitution applicable to the first election of state officers shall take effect immediately upon the admission of Alaska into the Union as a State. The balance of the constitution shall take effect when the elected governor takes office."
CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF ALASKA

RESOLVED, that the following sections be adopted as a part of the schedule of the Alaska State Constitution:

ARTICLE XIV

SCHEDULE

1. Section 25. The election of senators and a representative to serve in the Congress of the United States being necessary and proper to prepare for the admission of Alaska as a State of the Union, the following is hereby ordained, pursuant to Chapter 46, SLA 1955:

2. (1) Each elector who offers to vote upon this constitution at the ratification election shall be given a separate ballot by the election judges which shall contain the following proposition:

3. "Shall ordinance No. ___ (Alaska-Tennessee Plan) of the Alaska Constitutional Convention, calling for the immediate election of two
United State Senators and one United States Representative, be adopted?"  

Yes  

No  

Approval  

Upon ratification of the constitution by the people of Alaska and separate approval of this ordinance by a majority of all votes cast for and against it, the remainder of this ordinance shall become effective.

Election of Senators and Representative  

Two persons to serve as members of the senate of the United States and one person to serve as a member of the house of representatives of the United States shall be chosen at the 1956 general election.

Terms  

One senator shall be chosen for the regular term expiring on January 3, 1963, and the other for an initial short term expiring on January 3, 1961, unless when they are seated the senate prescribes other expiration dates. The representative shall be chosen for the regular term of two years expiring January 3, 1959.

Qualifications  

Candidates for senators and representative shall have the qualifications prescribed in the constitution of the United States and shall be qualified voters of Alaska.

Other Office Holding  

Until the admission of Alaska as a state, the senators and representative may also hold or be
nominated and elected to other offices of the United States or of the Territory of Alaska, provided that no person may receive compensation for more than one office.

(7) Except as provided herein, the laws of the Territory governing elections to the office of delegate to congress shall, to the extent applicable, govern the election of the senators and representative. Territorial and other officials shall perform their duties with reference to this election accordingly.

(8) Persons not representing any political party may become independent candidates for the offices of senator or representative by filing applications in the manner provided in Section 38-5-10, ACLA 1949, insofar as applicable. Applications must be filed in the office of the director of finance of the Territory on or before June 30, 1956.

(9) Party nominations for senators and representative shall, for this election only, be made by party conventions in the manner prescribed in Section 38-4-11, ACLA 1949, for filling a vacancy in a party nomination occurring in a primary election. The names of the candidates...
Certification

nominated shall be certified by the chairman and secretary of the central committee of each political party to the director of finance of the Territory on or before June 30, 1956.

(10) The director of finance shall certify the names of all candidates for senators and representative to the clerks of court by July 15, 1956. The clerks of court shall cause the names to be printed on the official ballot for the general election. Independent candidates shall be identified as provided in Section 38-5-10, ACLA 1949. Candidates nominated at party conventions shall be identified with appropriate party designations as is provided by law for nominations at primary elections.

Ballot Form;
Who Elected

(11) The ballot form shall group separately the candidates seeking the regular senate term, those seeking the short senate term and candidates for representative. The candidate for each office receiving the largest number of votes cast for that office shall be elected.

Duties and
Emoluments

(12) The duties and emoluments of the offices of senator and representative shall be as prescribed by law.
The president of the Alaska Constitutional Convention, or person designated by him, may assist in carrying out the purposes of this ordinance. The unexpended and unobligated funds appropriated to the Alaska Constitutional Convention by Chapter 46, SLA 1955, may be used to defray expenses attributable to the referendum and the election required by this ordinance.

If the Congress of the United States seats the senators and representative elected pursuant to this ordinance and approves the constitution before the first election of state officers, then Section 1 of Article XIV shall be void and shall be replaced by the following:

"The provisions of the constitution applicable to the first election of state officers shall take effect immediately upon the admission of Alaska into the Union as a State. The remainder of the constitution shall take effect when the elected governor takes office."