AMENDMENT TO (COMMITTEE) PROPOSAL NO. Article XII (Section 14)

MR. PRESIDENT:

I move that be amended as follows:

Line 8, after 'property' insert 'including fishing rights,'.
ALASKA CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

RESOLVED, that the following be agreed upon as part of the Alaska State Constitution:

ARTICLE XII

GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

Section 14. The State of Alaska and its people forever disclaim all right and title in or to any property belonging to the United States, or subject to its disposition, and not granted or confirmed to the State or its political subdivisions, by or under the act admitting Alaska to the Union. The State and its people further disclaim all right or title in or to any property, the right or title to which may be held by or for any Indian, Eskimo or Aleut, or community thereof, as that right or title is defined in the act of admission. The State and its people agree that, unless otherwise provided by Congress, the property, as described in this section, shall remain subject to the absolute disposition of the United States. They further agree that no taxes will be imposed upon any such property, until otherwise provided by the Congress. This tax exemption shall not apply to property held by individuals in fee without restrictions on alienation.
AMENDMENT TO (COMMITTEE) PROPOSAL NO. 12.15.16 (Article XII)

MR. PRESIDENT:

I move that (Committee) Proposal No. A.XII be amended as follows:

After Section 8, insert the following new section 9:
"As used in this constitution, the terms "by law" and "by the legislature", or variations of these terms, are used interchangeably when related to law-making powers. Unless clearly inapplicable, the law-making powers assigned to the legislature may be exercised by the people through the initiative, subject to the limitations of Article XI."

Page 2, line 7, change "dischage" to "discharge".

Line 21, strike "persons of both sexes", and insert in lieu thereof "either sex".
Hon. William A. Egan, President  
Alaska Constitutional Convention  

Dear President Egan:

Your Committee on Style and Drafting herewith presents its redraft of the Article on General and Miscellaneous for consideration by the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

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ALASKA CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

RESOLVED, that the following be agreed upon as part of the Alaska State Constitution:

ARTICLE XII

GENERAL AND MISCELLANEOUS

Civil Service

Section 1. The legislature shall establish a system under which the merit principle will govern the employment of persons by the State.

Retirement Systems

Section 2. Membership in employee retirement systems of the State or its political subdivisions shall constitute a contractual relationship. Accrued benefits of these systems shall not be diminished or impaired.

Disqualification for Disloyalty

Section 3. No person who advocates, or who aids or belongs to any party or organization or association which advocates, the overthrow by force or violence of the government of the United States or of the State shall be qualified to hold any public office of trust or profit under this constitution.
Section 4. All public officers, before entering upon the duties of their offices, shall take and subscribe to the following oath or affirmation:

"I do solemnly swear, or affirm, that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Alaska, and that I will faithfully discharge my duties as _______ to the best of my ability". The legislature may prescribe further oaths or affirmations.

Section 5. The State and its political subdivisions may cooperate with the United States and its territories and with other states and their political subdivisions on matters of common interest. The respective legislative bodies may make appropriations for this purpose. The governor shall act as the agent of the State in all intergovernmental relations involving the State.

Section 6. Titles and subtitles shall not be used in construing this constitution. Personal pronouns used in this constitution shall be construed as including persons of both sexes.

Section 7. The enumeration of specified powers in this constitution shall not be construed as limiting the powers of the State.

Section 8. The provisions of this constitution
Self-executing powers shall be construed to be self-executing whenever possible.

Law-Making Powers

Section 9. As used in this constitution, the terms "by law" and "by the legislature", or variations of these terms, are used interchangeably when related to law-making powers. Unless clearly inapplicable, the law-making powers assigned to the legislature may be exercised by the people through the initiative, subject to the limitations of Article XI.

Office of Profit

Section 10. Service in the armed forces of the United States or of the State is not an office or position of profit as the term is used in this constitution.

Consent to Enabling Act

Section 11. All provisions of the act admitting Alaska to the Union which reserve rights or powers to the United States, as well as those prescribing the terms or conditions of the grants of lands or other property, are consented to fully by the State and its people.

State University

Section 12. The University of Alaska is hereby established as the state university and constituted a body corporate. It shall have title to all real and personal property now or hereafter set aside for or conveyed to it. Its property shall be
administered and disposed of according to law.

Section 13. The University of Alaska shall be governed by a board of regents. The regents shall be nominated and appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by a majority of the members of the legislature in joint session. The board shall, in accordance with law, formulate policy and appoint the president of the university. He shall be the executive officer of the board.