FOLDER NO.

420.13
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 Revision and Amendment for consideration by the Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

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Victor Fischer
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James J. Hurley
Maurice T. Johnson
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Katherine D. Nordale
CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF ALASKA

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

ARTICLE XIII
AMENDMENT AND REVISION

Constitutional Amendments

1. Section 1. Amendments to this constitution may be approved by a two-thirds vote of each house of the legislature. The secretary of state shall prepare a ballot title and proposition summarizing each proposed amendment and shall place them on the ballot for the next general election. If a majority of the votes cast on the proposition favor the amendment, it is adopted. Unless otherwise provided in the amendment, it becomes effective thirty days after the certification of the election returns by the secretary of state.

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Call by Referendum

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Convention
Powers

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2 the next general election the question: "Shall
3 there be a constitutional convention?" If a maj-
4 ority of the votes cast on the question are in the
5 affirmative, delegates to the convention shall be
6 chosen at the next regular statewide election unless
7 the legislature provides for the election of the
8 delegates at a special election. The secretary of
9 state shall issue the call for the convention.
10 Unless other provisions have been made by law, the
11 call shall conform as nearly as possible to the act
12 calling the Alaska Constitutional Convention of
13 1955 including, but not limited to, number of mem-
14 bers, districts, election and certification of
15 delegates, and submission and ratification of re-
16 visions and ordinances. The appropriation provi-
17 sions of the call shall be self-executing and shall
18 constitute a first claim on the state treasury.
19 Section 4. Constitutional conventions shall
20 have plenary power to amend or revise the consti-
21 tution, subject only to ratification by the people.
22 No call for a constitutional convention shall limit
23 these powers of the convention.
AMENDMENT TO (COMMITTEE) PROPOSAL NO._____

MR. PRESIDENT: Article XIII

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

Section 3, page 2, line 3.

After the word "constitution", insert the following sentence:

"If a majority of the votes cast on the question are in the negative, the question need not again be placed on the ballot until the end of the next ten-year period."
AMENDMENT TO (COMMITTEE) PROPOSAL NO. 3 (Article XIII)

MR. PRESIDENT:

I move that (Committee) Proposal No. 3 (XIII) be amended as follows:

Strike the word "approved" on line 2 of Section 1 and insert in lieu thereof the word "proposed".

Section 3, page 2, line 3, after the word "convention" insert the following sentence: "If a majority of the votes cast on the question are in the negative, the question need not again be placed on the ballot until the end of the next ten-year period."
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COMMITTEE PROPOSAL NO. 3

Introduced by Committee on Direct Legislation

INITIATIVE, REFERENDUM AND RECALL
AMENDMENT AND REVISION

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

ARTICLE ON DIRECT LEGISLATION

Initiative 1  Section 1. The people reserve the power by petition
2 to propose laws and to enact or reject such laws at the
3 polls.

Referendum 4  Section 2. The people reserve the power to require,
5 by petition, that laws enacted by the legislature be
6 submitted to the voters for approval or rejection.

Procedure 7  Section 3. The legislature shall prescribe the
8 procedures to be followed in the exercise of the powers
9 of initiative and referendum, except as herein provided.

Petitions, 10  Section 4. Prior to general circulation, an initia-
11 ballot title, election, vote re-
12 quired

Committee Proposal No. 3  First Enrolled
shall be reviewable by the court. If certified to be suf-
ficient the initiative or referendum petition containing a
summary of the subject matter prepared by the attorney
general may then be circulated and must be signed by qual-
ified electors equal to 10% of the number of voters who
voted in preceding general election. The petition
shall contain signatures of qualified electors resident in
at least two-thirds of the election districts of the State.
The petition may be filed with the attorney general who
shall prepare a ballot title or proposition designating
and summarizing the substance of the proposed law which
proposition shall go upon the ballot as hereinafter pro-
vided. Initiative petitions may be filed at any time.
Referendum petitions shall be filed within 90 days after
adjournment of the legislative session at which the measure
was passed. Laws proposed by the initiative shall be sub-
mitted to the voters by ballot title at the first statewide
election which occurs more than one hundred twenty (120)
days after adjournment of the legislative session following
the filing of the initiative petition, unless the legisla-
ture at said session shall have enacted substantially the
same measure. Questions on referendum shall also be sub-
mitted to the voters by ballot title at the first statewide
election occurring more than one hundred twenty (120) days
after adjournment of the legislature which passed the law
being referred. A majority of the votes cast is necessary for the adoption of an initiated law, or the defeat of a measure referred. No law passed by the initiative may be vetoed by the Governor nor may it be repealed by the legislature for a period of two years, but may be amended at any time.

Section 5. The initiative and referendum may not be used as a means of earmarking revenues, for making or defeating appropriations of public funds, or for local or special legislation. The referendum shall not be applicable to such laws as are necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety, and laws making appropriations for the current expenses of the State government and for the maintenance of public institutions.

Section 6. Every elected public official in the State, except judicial officers, is subject to recall by the voters of the State or subdivision from which elected. The legislature shall prescribe the recall procedures and grounds for recall.
ARTICLE ON REVISION AND AMENDMENT

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