

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 31

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE FIELDS

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Referred: Judiciary, State Affairs, Finance

A RESOLUTION

1 **Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to whose**
2 **rights are protected under the Constitution and prohibiting corporate contributions and**
3 **expenditures in state and local elections.**

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

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

6 **Section 1. Inherent Rights.** This constitution is dedicated to the principles
7 that all natural persons have a natural right to life, liberty, the pursuit of happiness,
8 and the enjoyment of the rewards of their own industry; that all natural persons are
9 equal and entitled to equal rights, opportunities, and protection under the law; and that
10 all natural persons have corresponding obligations to the people and to the State.

11 * **Sec. 2.** Article I, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended by adding a new section
12 to read:

13 **Section 26. Rights Belong to Natural People.** The rights and
14 privileges protected and extended to persons by this constitution are the rights
15 and privileges of natural persons only. Subject to the limitations of Section 15

1 of Article XII, a corporation, limited liability company, or other artificial
2 person may exercise only the powers or privileges prescribed by law.

3 * **Sec. 3.** Article XII, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended by adding a new
4 section to read:

5 **Section 15. Contributions and Expenditures Made to Influence**
6 **an Election.** Except for a group organized under State law for the
7 principal purpose of influencing the outcome of one or more elections, a
8 corporation, limited liability company, or other artificial person may not
9 make a contribution or an expenditure to influence a State or local
10 election. Limited liability is the only power the legislature may prescribe
11 for a group organized for the principal purpose of influencing the outcome
12 of one or more elections. The freedom of the press may not be abridged
13 under this section.

14 * **Sec. 4.** Article XV, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended by adding new
15 sections to read:

16 **Section 30. Applicability of Amendments Providing for Rights**
17 **and Limiting Contributions and Expenditures Made to Influence an**
18 **Election.** The 2026 amendments relating to natural persons and
19 contributions and expenditures made to influence an election apply only to
20 a contract or other legal obligation entered into by a corporation, limited
21 liability company, or other artificial person after the amendments become
22 effective.

23 **Section 31. Implementation of Amendment Limiting**
24 **Contributions and Expenditures Made to Influence an Election.** The
25 legislature shall, in the first regular legislative session following January 1,
26 2027, enact sanctions for, and procedures to dissolve, a corporation,
27 limited liability company, or other artificial person that violates Section 15
28 of Article XII.

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