

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 31(JUD)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Offered: 2/13/96
Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): SENATOR PEARCE

A RESOLUTION

1 **Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to**
2 **voter ratification of legislative approval of amendments of the Alaska Statehood**
3 **Act affecting an interest of the State of Alaska under that Act.**

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

5 * **Section 1.** Article XII, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended by adding a new
6 section to read:

7 SECTION 14. VOTER RATIFICATION OF AMENDMENTS TO
8 STATEHOOD ACT AFFECTING AN INTEREST OF THE STATE UNDER THAT
9 ACT. Whenever the Congress legislates in a way that affects an interest of the State
10 under the Act admitting Alaska to the Union, that legislation is ineffective as against
11 the State interest unless approved by the legislature. The legislature shall act to give
12 its approval by adopting a resolution. The resolution may not take effect unless
13 ratified by a majority of the qualified voters of the State who vote on the question at
14 the next general election. The legislature shall implement this section.

15 * **Sec. 2.** The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be placed before the voters of
16 the state at the next general election in conformity with art. XIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the

1 State of Alaska, and the election laws of the state.