

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVES ROKEBERG AND SANDERS, Kohring

Introduced: 1/13/97

Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary, Finance

A RESOLUTION

1 **Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to**
2 **the duration of a regular session.**

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

4 * **Section 1.** Article II, sec. 8, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended to read:

5 SECTION 8. REGULAR SESSIONS. The legislature shall convene in regular
6 session each year on the fourth Monday in January, but the month and day may be
7 changed by law. **Each regular session is limited to ninety** [THE LEGISLATURE
8 SHALL ADJOURN FROM REGULAR SESSION NO LATER THAN ONE
9 HUNDRED TWENTY] consecutive calendar days [FROM THE DATE IT
10 CONVENES] except that a regular session may be extended once for up to ten
11 consecutive calendar days. An extension of the regular session requires the affirmative
12 vote of at least two-thirds of the membership of each house of the legislature. The
13 legislature shall adopt as part of the uniform rules of procedure deadlines for
14 scheduling session work not inconsistent with provisions controlling the length of the
15 session.

16 * **Sec. 2.** The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be placed before the voters of

- 1 the state at the next general election in conformity with art. XIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the
- 2 State of Alaska, and the election laws of the state.