

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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A RESOLUTION

1 **Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to**
2 **subsistence uses of fish and wildlife by residents, and establishing an effective date**
3 **for the amendment.**

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

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

7 **Section 19. Subsistence Uses of Fish and Wildlife.** Consistent with the
8 sustained yield principle, the legislature shall grant a preference to and among residents
9 in the taking of fish and wildlife for subsistence uses on the basis of customary and
10 traditional use, cultural tradition, direct dependence, local residence, or the availability
11 of alternative resources.

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

14 **Section 29. Effective Date of Subsistence Amendment.** Section 19 of Article
15 VIII, regarding subsistence uses of fish and wildlife, takes effect immediately upon
16 certification of the election returns by the lieutenant governor.

1 * **Sec. 3.** The amendments proposed by this resolution shall be placed before the voters of
2 the state at the next general election in conformity with art. XIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the State
3 of Alaska, and the election laws of the state.