

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 102

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Introduced: 5/28/98

Referred: Resources, Judiciary, Finance

A RESOLUTION

1 **Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to**
2 **establishing a preference for subsistence uses of fish and wildlife; and providing**
3 **for an effective date.**

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

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

6 **Section 4. Sustained Yield.** (a) Fish, forests, wildlife, grasslands, and all
7 other replenishable resources belonging to the State shall be utilized, developed, and
8 maintained on the sustained yield principle, subject to preferences among beneficial
9 uses.

10 * **Sec. 2.** Article VIII, sec. 4, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended by adding
11 a new subsection to read:

12 (b) The legislature shall establish, consistent with the sustained yield principle,
13 a preference for subsistence uses of fish and wildlife that takes effect when a fish or
14 wildlife resource is not sufficient to accommodate all beneficial uses of the resource.

15 * **Sec. 3.** The amendments 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.

2 * **Sec. 4.** If adopted by the voters at the next general election, the amendments proposed
3 by this resolution takes effect immediately upon certification of the election returns by the
4 lieutenant governor.