

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 42**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE DYSON

Introduced: 5/19/99

Referred: Judiciary, Finance

**A RESOLUTION**

1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to  
2 criminal administration.

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

4 \* **Section 1.** Article I, sec. 12, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended to read:

5 **Section 12. Criminal Administration.** Excessive bail shall not be required,  
6 nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishments inflicted. Criminal  
7 administration shall be based upon the following:

8 **(1) restoration of the crime victim and the community to pre-**  
9 **offense condition through monetary and social restitution;**

10 **(2) provision for offender reclamation and reintroduction into the**  
11 **community;**

12 **(3) protection of public safety;**

13 **(4) provision for appropriate crime victim and community**  
14 **participation throughout the criminal and any juvenile justice process, including**  
15 **pre-adjudication diversion and use of alternative sanctions, during trial and at**  
16 **sentencing, during punishment, community service, and restitution, and during**

1        **reclamation and reintroduction of the offender into the community;**

2                    **(5) provision for ongoing crime victim protection and for**  
3        **restoration of the crime victim to the community; and**

4                    **(6) provision for swift and consistent consequences that are**  
5        **appropriate to the offense and the offender** [THE NEED FOR PROTECTING THE  
6        PUBLIC, COMMUNITY CONDEMNATION OF THE OFFENDER, THE RIGHTS  
7        OF VICTIMS OF CRIMES, RESTITUTION FROM THE OFFENDER, AND THE  
8        PRINCIPLE OF REFORMATION].

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