

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2(FIN)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 2/18/99

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): SENATORS DONLEY, Tim Kelly, Leman, Taylor

A RESOLUTION

**1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to
2 the rights of prisoners under the criminal administration section.**

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. (a) Excessive bail shall not be
6 required, nor excessive fines imposed.

7 (b) Cruel [, NOR CRUEL] and unusual punishments **shall not be** inflicted.

**8 Criminal administration shall be based upon the following: the need for protecting the
9 public, community condemnation of the offender, the rights of victims of crimes,
10 restitution from the offender, and the principle of reformation. Protections and rights
11 provided under this subsection to prisoners convicted of crimes shall be limited
12 to those rights and protections and the extent of those rights and protections
13 afforded under the Constitution of the United States to prisoners convicted of
14 crimes.**

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.