

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

**BY REPRESENTATIVE DAVIES**

**Introduced: 1/8/01**

**Referred: Resources, Judiciary, Finance**

**A RESOLUTION**

1 **Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska authorizing a priority**  
2 **for subsistence users of replenishable natural resources; and providing for an effective**  
3 **date.**

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.** The legislature may, consistent with the sustained  
8 yield principle, provide a priority for subsistence users in the taking of fish and  
9 wildlife and other replenishable natural resources based on place of residence,  
10 dependence on replenishable natural resources for subsistence uses, or customary and  
11 traditional use of replenishable natural resources for subsistence uses.

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

14 **Section 30. Effective Date of Subsistence Amendment.** Section 19 of  
15 Article VIII, regarding a priority for subsistence users of replenishable natural

1 resources, takes effect immediately upon certification of the election returns by the  
2 lieutenant governor.

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