

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

**BY SENATOR DYSON**

**Introduced: 3/17/03**

**Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary, Finance**

**A RESOLUTION**

1 **Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to the budget**  
2 **reserve fund.**

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

4 \* **Section 1.** Article IX, sec. 17(b), Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended to read:

5 (b) If the amount available for appropriation for a fiscal year is **not sufficient**  
6 **to fully fund the amount appropriated for that year** [LESS THAN THE AMOUNT  
7 APPROPRIATED FOR THE PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR], an appropriation may be  
8 made from the budget reserve fund **and used to fund appropriations from the**  
9 **unrestricted general fund**. However, the amount appropriated from the fund under  
10 this subsection may not exceed the amount necessary, when added to other funds  
11 available for appropriation, to provide for total **funding** [APPROPRIATIONS] equal  
12 to the amount of appropriations made [IN THE PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEAR] for  
13 the previous fiscal year. **For purposes of applying this subsection, amounts**  
14 **available for appropriation or appropriated from federal funds, income of the**  
15 **permanent fund, or this budget reserve fund may not be considered. For**  
16 **purposes of this subsection, "unrestricted general fund" shall be defined by law.**

1     \* **Sec. 2.** Article IX, sec. 17(d), Constitution of the State of Alaska, is repealed.

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