

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 23**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY SENATOR DYSON

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Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary

**A RESOLUTION**

1 **Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to the**  
2 **authority of the legislature and certain members or former members of the legislature to**  
3 **intervene in litigation in which a law is challenged or subject to interpretation.**

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

5 \* **Section 1.** Article II, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended by adding a new  
6 section to read:

7 **Section 22. Authority to Intervene in Litigation.** The legislature and the  
8 prime sponsor of a bill enacted into law have the right to intervene in a suit in which  
9 the law is challenged or subject to interpretation. The legislature shall implement this  
10 section.

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