

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 21

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE REINBOLD

Introduced: 4/2/15

Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary, Finance

A RESOLUTION

1 **Proposing amendments to the Constitution of the State of Alaska relating to terms of**
2 **legislators.**

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

4 * **Section 1.** Article II, sec. 3, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is amended to read:

5 **Section 3. Election and Terms.** Legislators shall be elected at general
6 elections. Their terms begin on the fourth Monday of the January following election
7 unless otherwise provided by law. The term of representatives shall be two years, and
8 the term of senators, four years. One-half of the senators shall be elected every two
9 years. **No person who has served as a representative for four full or partial**
10 **successive terms shall again be eligible to hold that office until one full term has**
11 **intervened. No person who has served as a senator for two full or partial**
12 **successive terms shall again be eligible to hold that office until one full term has**
13 **intervened.**

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

16 **Section 30. Application of 2016 Tenure Amendment.** The 2016 amendments

1 limiting legislators' terms of office do not
2 (1) prohibit a legislator from serving the term of office that the
3 legislator was reelected to in the 2016 general election; or
4 (2) prematurely end the term of a legislator who is serving on the
5 effective date of the amendment.
6 * **Sec. 3.** The amendments proposed by this resolution shall be placed before the voters of the
7 state at the next general election in conformity with art. XIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the State of
8 Alaska, and the election laws of the state.