

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 27

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVES KITO, Johnston, Reinbold, Rauscher

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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 at least two years**
11 **have 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 at least two years**
13 **have 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 2018 Tenure Amendment.** The 2018 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 2018 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
7 the state at the next general election in conformity with art. XIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the
8 State of Alaska, and the election laws of the state.