

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 12

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Referred: Judiciary, State Affairs

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 six full terms shall again**
10 **be eligible to be nominated, elected, or appointed to that office. No person who**
11 **has served as a senator for three full terms shall again be eligible to be**
12 **nominated, elected, or appointed to that office.**

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

15 **Section 30. Application of 2024 Tenure Amendment.** Years served in the
16 legislature before the convening of the First Regular Session of the Thirty-Fourth

1 Alaska State Legislature shall not be considered for purposes of applying the tenure
2 limit added by the 2024 amendment to Section 3 of Article II.

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.