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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 27

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Proposing an amendment to the judiciary  
6 article of the Constitution of the  
7 State of Alaska.

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 \* Section 1. Sec. 8 of Art. IV of the Constitution of the State of  
10 Alaska is amended to read:

11 SECTION 8. JUDICIAL COUNCIL. The judicial council shall consist  
12 of fifteen [SEVEN] members. Three attorney members shall be appointed  
13 for six-year terms by the governing body of the organized state bar.  
14 Five [THREE] non-attorney members shall be appointed for six-year terms  
15 by the governor subject to confirmation by a majority of the members of  
16 the legislature in joint session. Four members of the legislature who  
17 are not lawyers or retired judges shall be appointed, two from each  
18 house, by the speaker of the house and the president of the senate,  
19 respectively, subject to confirmation by a majority of the members of  
20 the respective house. The term of a legislative member is concurrent  
21 with the term of elected office he is serving when appointed. One  
22 superior court judge and one district court judge shall be appointed  
23 for six-year terms by the chief justice. Vacancies shall be filled for  
24 the unexpired term in like manner. Appointments shall be made with due  
25 consideration to area representation and without regard to political  
26 affiliation. The chief justice of the supreme court shall be ex officio  
27 the fifteenth [SEVENTH] member and chairman of the judicial council.  
28 No member of the judicial council, except the chief justice, the members  
29 of the legislature and the superior and district court judges, may hold

1 any other office or position of profit under the United States or the  
2 State. The judicial council shall act by concurrence of eight [FOUR]  
3 or more members and according to rules which it adopts.

4 and be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED that this proposed amendment be placed before the  
6 voters of the state at the next statewide election in conformity with  
7 Section 1, Article XIII, Constitution of the State of Alaska, and the elec-  
8 tion laws of the state.