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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 58

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Proposing amendments to the state
6 constitution relating to the election,
7 term of office and qualifications of
8 the attorney general.

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

10 Section 25. Article III, Constitution of the State of Alaska, is
11 amended to read:

12 "Section 25. The head of each principal department shall be a
13 single executive, unless otherwise provided by law. He shall be
14 appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by a majority of
15 the members of the legislature in joint session, and shall serve at
16 the pleasure of the governor, except as otherwise provided in this
17 article with respect to the secretary of state and the attorney general.
18 The heads of all principal departments shall be citizens of the United
19 States." and be it

20 FURTHER RESOLVED that Article III, Constitution of the State of Alaska,
21 is amended by adding new sections to read:

22 "Section 28. The attorney general of the State shall be at least
23 twenty-six years of age and a qualified voter of the State. He shall
24 be licensed to practice law in the State and shall have been a resident
25 of Alaska at least four years immediately preceding his filing for
26 office."

27 "Section 29. The attorney general of the State shall be nominated
28 in the manner provided by law for nominating candidates for other
29 elective offices. In the general election the votes cast for a candidate

1 for governor shall be considered as cast also for the candidate for the
2 attorney general running jointly with him. The candidate whose name
3 appears on the ballot jointly with that of the successful candidate for
4 governor shall be elected attorney general."

5 "Section 30. The term of office of the attorney general is four
6 years, which term shall be concurrent with the term of the Governor."

7 and be it

8 FURTHER RESOLVED that these proposed amendments be placed before the
9 voters of the state at the next statewide election in conformity with
10 Section 1; Article XIII, Constitution of the State of Alaska, and the
11 election laws of the state.