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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 120

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Amending the provisions of the
6 Constitution of the State of Alaska
7 relating to the administration and
8 financing of the state court system.

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

10 * Section 1. Sec. 16, art. IV of the Constitution of the State of Alaska
11 is amended to read:

12 SECTION 16. COURT ADMINISTRATION. The supreme court shall
13 exercise administrative jurisdiction over [THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE
14 SUPREME COURT SHALL BE THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEAD OF] all courts. The
15 supreme court shall appoint an administrative director to serve at the
16 pleasure of the supreme court and to supervise the administrative
17 operations of the judicial system. The administrative director, with
18 the approval of the supreme court, may assign judges from one court
19 or division thereof for temporary service. The administrative director
20 shall prepare an annual budget for the judicial system [HE MAY ASSIGN
21 JUDGES FROM ONE COURT OR DIVISION THEREOF TO ANOTHER FOR TEMPORARY
22 SERVICE. THE CHIEF JUSTICE SHALL, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE SUPREME
23 COURT, APPOINT AN ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR TO SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF
24 THE SUPREME COURT AND TO SUPERVISE THE ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS OF
25 THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM].

26 * Sec. 2. Sec. 12, art. IX of the Constitution of the State of Alaska is
27 amended to read:

28 SECTION 12. BUDGET. (a) The governor shall submit to the legis-
29 lature, at a time fixed by law, a budget for the next fiscal year

1 setting forth all proposed expenditures and anticipated income of all
2 departments, offices, and agencies of the State. The governor, at the
3 same time, shall submit a general appropriation bill to authorize the
4 proposed expenditures, and a bill or bills covering recommendations in
5 the budget for new or additional revenues.

6 (b) The administrative director of the judicial system shall
7 submit an annual budget and supporting information for the judicial
8 system to the governor at the time and in the form designated for
9 budget submissions by the principal departments in the executive
10 branch. The governor shall submit to the legislature as a part of his
11 budget and general appropriation bill his budget and appropriation
12 recommendations for the judicial system, accompanied by the initial
13 budget request submitted to the governor by the administrative director
14 of the judicial system.

15 * Sec. 3. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be placed
16 before the voters of the state at the next statewide election in conformity
17 with sec. 1, art. XIII, of the Alaska Constitution, and the election laws of
18 the state.