

1 IN THE SENATE

BY LEWIS

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 46

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Proposing an amendment to the Consti-

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tution of the State of Alaska relating

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to the rights of accused persons.

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

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\* Section 1. Article I, sec. 11, Constitution of the State of Alaska,

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is amended to read:

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SECTION 11. RIGHTS OF ACCUSED. In all criminal prosecutions,

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the accused shall have the right to a speedy and public trial, by an

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impartial jury of six [TWELVE; EXCEPT THAT THE LEGISLATURE MAY PROVIDE

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FOR A JURY OF NOT MORE THAN TWELVE NOR LESS THAN SIX IN COURTS NOT OF

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RECORD]. The accused is entitled to be informed of the nature and

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cause of the accusation; to be released on bail, except for [CAPITAL]

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offenses for which a penalty of imprisonment in excess of eight years

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may be imposed upon conviction when the proof is evident or the pre-

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sumption great; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to

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have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to

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have the assistance of counsel for his defense.

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\* Sec. 2. The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be placed

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before the voters of the state at the next statewide election in conformity

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with art. XIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the State of Alaska, and the election

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laws of the state.

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