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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18 am

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Proposing amendments to the Consti-  
6 tution of the State of Alaska relat-  
7 ing to legislative sessions.

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

9 \* Section 1. Article II, sec. 9, Constitution of the State of Alaska is  
10 amended to read:

11 SECTION 9. SPECIAL SESSIONS. Special sessions may be called by  
12 the governor or by vote of two-thirds of the legislators. The vote may  
13 be conducted by the legislative council or as prescribed by law. At  
14 special sessions called by the governor, legislation shall be limited to  
15 subjects designated in his proclamation calling the session, to subjects  
16 presented by him, and the reconsideration of bills vetoed by him after  
17 adjournment of the last regular session. [SPECIAL SESSIONS ARE LIMITED  
18 TO THIRTY DAYS.]

19 \* Sec. 2. Article II, sec. 10, Constitution of the State of Alaska is  
20 amended to read:

21 SECTION 10. ADJOURNMENT. The legislature shall adjourn from  
22 regular session no later than one hundred twenty consecutive calendar  
23 days from the date it convenes for the regular session except that a  
24 regular session may be extended in increments of up to ten consecutive  
25 calendar days. Extensions of the regular session require a vote of a  
26 majority of the membership of each house of the legislature. The  
27 legislature shall adjourn no later than thirty consecutive calendar  
28 days from the date it convenes in special session. Before the time  
29 specified in this section for adjournment, neither [NEITHER] house may

1 adjourn or recess for longer than three days unless the other concurs.  
2 If, before the time specified in this section for adjournment, the two  
3 houses cannot agree on a [THE] time of adjournment and either house cer-  
4 tifies the disagreement to the governor, he may adjourn the legislature  
5 before the time specified in this section for adjournment.

6 \* Sec. 3. The amendments proposed by this resolution shall be placed  
7 before the voters of the state at the next general election in conformity  
8 with art. XIII, sec. 1, Constitution of the State of Alaska, and the election  
9 laws of the state.