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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Proposing amendments to the Consti-  
6 tution of the State of Alaska provid-  
7 ing for ratification of appropria-  
8 tions by the qualified voters of the  
9 state.

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

11 \* Section 1. Article II, sec. 15, Constitution of the State of Alaska is  
12 amended to read:

13 SECTION 15. VETO. Except for appropriation bills submitted to  
14 the voters for approval as provided in Section 13 of Article IX, the  
15 [THE] governor may veto bills passed by the legislature, and [.] He  
16 may, by veto, strike or reduce items in appropriation bills. He shall  
17 return any vetoed bill, with a statement of his objections, to the  
18 house of origin.

19 \*Sec. 2. Article IX, sec. 13, Constitution of the State of Alaska is  
20 amended to read:

21 SECTION 13. EXPENDITURES. No money shall be withdrawn from the  
22 treasury except in accordance with appropriations made by law. The leg-  
23 islature may provide by law that an appropriation shall take effect only  
24 if approved by a majority vote of the qualified voters of the state who  
25 vote on the question at a general election held after adjournment of the  
26 legislative session during which the appropriation was made. When the  
27 legislature submits an appropriation bill to the voters for approval,  
28 the bill, and items in the bill, are not subject to veto by the gover-  
29 nor under Section 15, Article II. No obligation for the payment of

1 money shall be incurred except as authorized by law. Unobligated  
2 appropriations outstanding at the end of the period of time specified  
3 by law shall be void.

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

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